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NO, ALF...LYNN GOT A PART IN HER SCHOOL PLAY... "PYGMALION!"
OKAY, SO I MISUNDERSTOOD, WILLIE! THAT'S NO REASON TO START CALLING ME NASTY NAMES!
ALF..."PYGMALION" IS THE TITLE OF THE PLAY! SEE? I'M GOING TO BE ELIZA DOOLITTLE!
OH!
BUT I THOUGHT ELIZA DOOLITTLE WAS FROM "MY FAIR LADY"!!
SHE IS! "MY FAIR LADY" IS THE MUSICAL VERSION OF "PYGMALION!"
I SEE! SO YOU WON'T HAVE TO LIP-SYNCH ALL THOSE SONGS LIKE AUDREY HEARTBURN, RIGHT?
RIGHT! AND HER NAME IS AUDREY HEPBURN!
HEY-- WHEN I WATCHED IT ON T.V., I GOT HEARTBURN!
NO CHANCE IT COULD'VE BEEN THE 15 POUND BAG OF ONIONS YOU ATE THAT NIGHT?
ANYWAY, CONGRATULATIONS! AND I'LL GLADLY BE YOUR ACTING COACH!
NO, THANKS, ALF!
YO, WILLIE! I DIDN'T SPEND 47 YEARS IN THE MELMAC DRAMA ACADEMY FOR NOTHING! MY INTERPRETATION OF MELMACBETH WAS A TRIUMPH!
"IS THIS A CARVING KNIFE I SEE BEFORE ME?"
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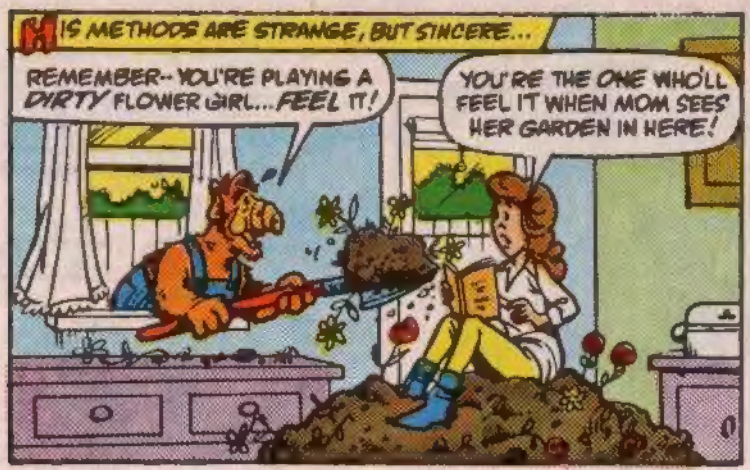
ALF...
YOU DON'T BELIEVE ME? I'LL GET ONE OF MY SCRAP BOOKS OUT OF THE SPACE SHIP!
ZIP

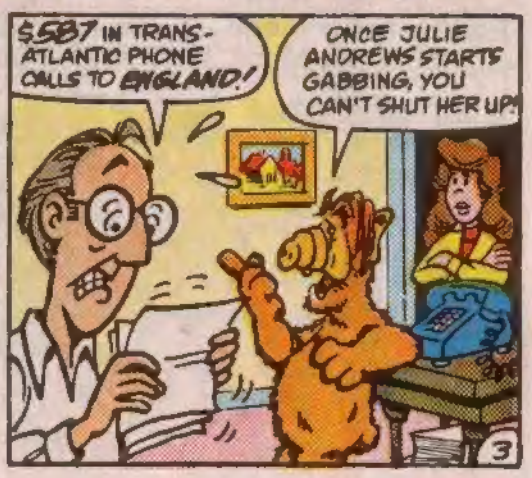
WE'RE SO PROUD OF YOU, HONEY! WHO'S YOUR LEADING MAN?
A NEW BOY IN SCHOOL NAMED JERRY TRACY! HE READ REAL WELL AT THE AUDITIONS!
UH-OH!

HERE'S BOOK I OF XVII..."SHUMWAY STEALS SHOW!" "LEMON IN LIMELIGHT!"--THIS IS ME AS R.P. MELMACMURPHY IN "ONE CHEW OVER THE CUCKOO'S NEST."... LET ME READ YOU THESE REVIEWS!
DON'T BOTHER, ALF! I'LL BE HAPPY TO HAVE YOU AS MY PRIVATE DRAMA COACH!
THANKS, LYNN! WE OWE YOU A BIG ONE!

OKAY, STEP ONE IS MOTIVATION! SO LET'S MOTIVATE TO THAT LEFT-OVER CHEESECAKE IN THE FRIDGE!
DID MERYL STREEP REALLY START LIKE THIS?

ALF SPENDS THE NEXT FEW WEEKS HELPING LYNN PREPARE FOR HER ROLE IN "PYGMALION."
TONIGHT WE'RE GOING TO LEARN HOW TO PROJECT ON STAGE!


HIS METHODS ARE STRANGE, BUT SINCERE...
REMEMBER--YOU'RE PLAYING A DIRTY FLOWER GIRL...FEEL IT!
YOU'RE THE ONE WHO'LL FEEL IT WHEN MOM SEES HER GARDEN IN HERE!


$587 IN TRANS-ATLANTIC PHONE CALLS TO ENGLAND!
ONCE JULIE ANDREWS STARTS GABBING, YOU CAN'T SHUT HER UP!

NEVERTHELESS, LYNN RESPONDS TO HIS APPROACH...
HOW WAS REHEARSAL, YESTERDAY, LYNN?
GOOD! I KNOW ALL MY LINES, THANKS TO UNCLE ALFRED HERE!
WHO?
CHUMP! SLURP! GNASH!
SINCE THE CAST NOTICED HOW CONFIDENT I AM... I TOLD THEM MY UNCLE ALFRED, THE FAMOUS BROADWAY ACTING COACH, IS HELPING WITH MY PART!
URP!
CONFIDENCE IS THE KEY... AS IN: "I'M CONFIDENT YOUR MOM WILL MAKE ME ANOTHER OYSTER OMELET."
WITH OR WITHOUT THE SHELLS?
WITH!
I WISH I COULD SAY THE SAME THING FOR MY CO-STAR, PLAYING PROFESSOR HIGGINS!
HE'S NOT DOING WELL? GOSH, THE SHOW OPENS NEXT WEEK!
HE WAS FINE AT FIRST, BUT SINCE WE MOVED ONSTAGE, HE'S BEEN SO NERVOUS! HE'S ALWAYS FORGETTING HIS LINES!
NO PROBLEM!
HE'S GOT BACKSTAGE BUTTERFLIES! HE NEEDS A RELAXED ATMOSPHERE TO REHEARSE IN! BRING HIM HERE SATURDAY NIGHT!
THAT SOUNDS LIKE A GOOD IDEA!
DO YOU REALLY THINK IT'LL HELP HIM, ALF?
I GUARANTEE IT, LYNNWAH! HIS STAGE FRIGHT WILL TAKE FLIGHT!
SQUISH
GLOB!
BLOP!
OKAY, I'LL ASK GERRY OVER! SEE YOU LATER, EVERYONE!
ALF... STOP PLAYING WITH YOUR FOOD!
DRIBBLE DRIBBLE
DRIBBLE
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AND SO, ON SATURDAY NIGHT...
HERE COMES GERRY UP THE SIDEWALK!
C'MON, ALF.. WE'LL GO PLAY "CLUE"!
OKAY, BRIAN! BUT ONLY IF I GET TO BE COLONEL MUSTARD!
GERRY, THIS IS MY FATHER!
HELLO, SIR!
WE'RE LOOKING FORWARD TO YOUR PERFORMANCE!
I WISH I WAS! I'M SO NERVOUS! IF ONLY I COULD BE AS CONFIDENT AS LYNN...IF ONLY I COULD MEET HER FAMOUS UNCLE ALFRED!
SAY, IS HE HERE TONIGHT? DO YOU SUPPOSE I MIGHT...
NO!
UMM... NO-- HE'S NOT AROUND..
UNCLE ALFRED WAS...ER... CALLED AWAY TO-- UM-- FILL IN FOR ANOTHER ACTOR... ahem-- HE'S PLAYING THE LEAD IN... UH... "THE ELEPHANT MAN!" HEH-HEH!
OW, WOW!
N-NOW YOU TWO STAY IN THERE AND HAVE A NICE REHEARSAL!
OKAY, DADDY!
WE'LL TRY!
Ahem! "THE ELEPHANT MAN?"
TAP TAP TAP TAP TAP TAP TAP TAP TAP TAP TAP TAP
SORRY, ALF-- I HAD TO THINK FAST! I THOUGHT OF Y-YOUR NOSE!
SLOW DOWN, WILLIE! YOU'RE RUNNING OUT OF FEET TO PUT IN YOUR MOUTH!
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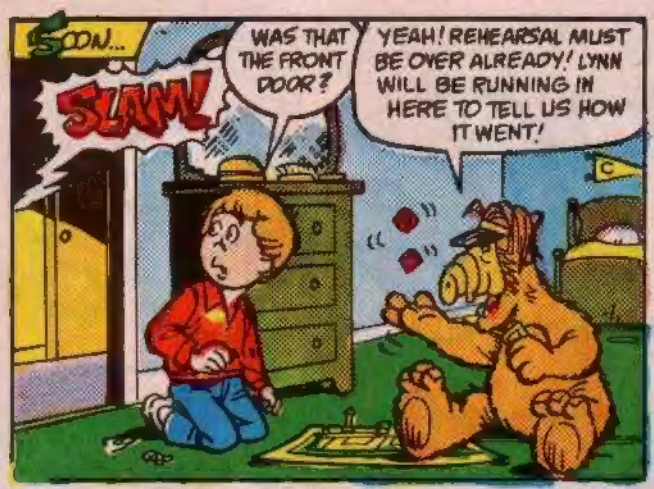
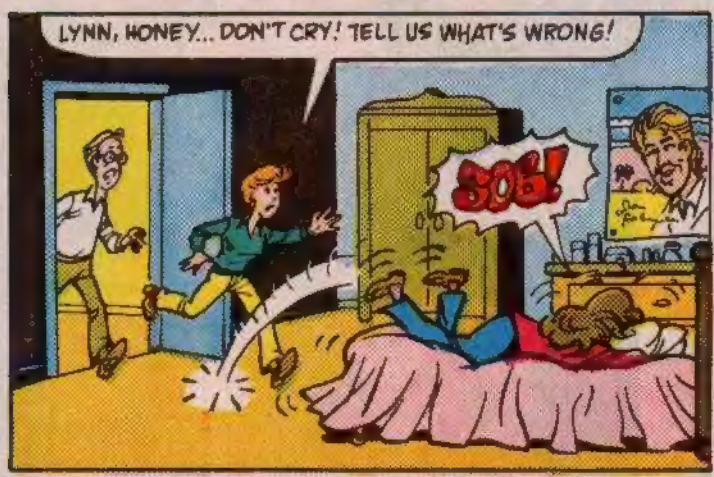
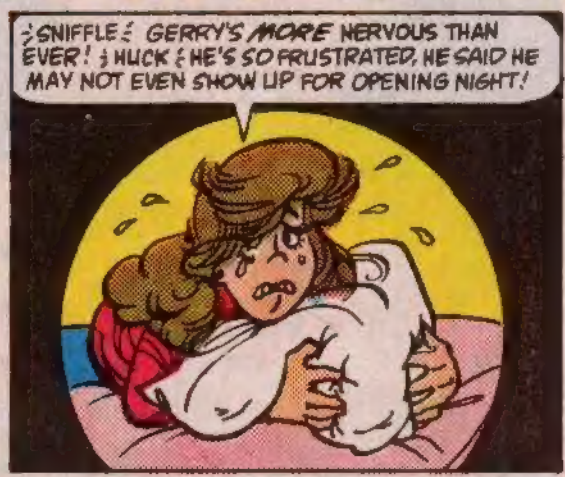

SOON...
SLAM!
WAS THAT THE FRONT DOOR?
YEAH! REHEARSAL MUST BE OVER ALREADY! LYNN WILL BE RUNNING IN HERE TO TELL US HOW IT WENT!

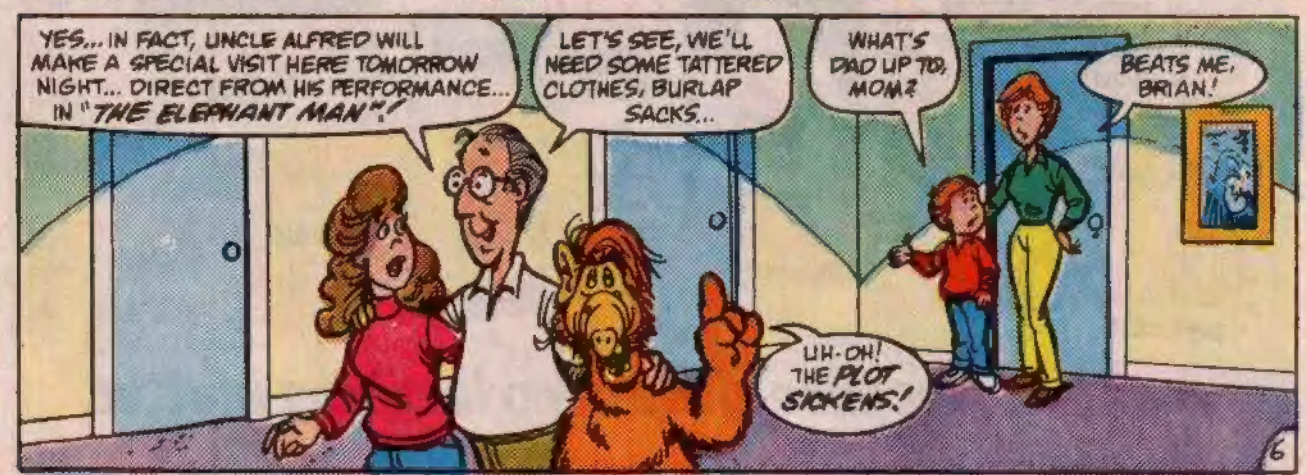
HOOO-- HOOOO!
WELL I GOT THE RUNNING PART RIGHT!
ZOOM

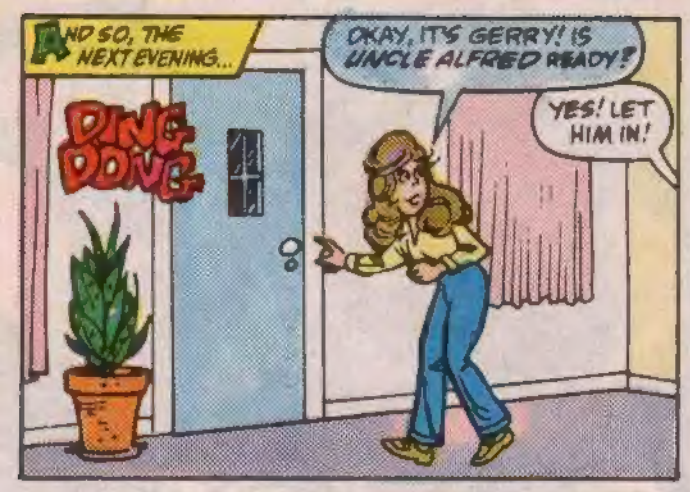

LYNN, HONEY... DON'T CRY! TELL US WHAT'S WRONG!
SOB!


;SNIFFLE; GERRY'S MORE NERVOUS THAN EVER! ;HUCK; HE'S SO FRUSTRATED, HE SAID HE MAY NOT EVEN SHOW UP FOR OPENING NIGHT!

LYNN... I'M SO SORRY!
IT'S NOT YOUR FAULT; sniff; IN FACT, THE ONLY POSITIVE THING GERRY SAID ALL NIGHT WAS "IF ONLY I COULD MEET YOUR UNCLE ALFRED!"

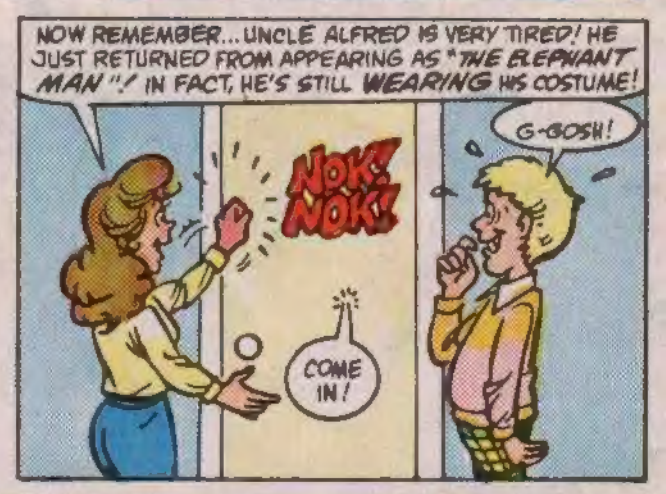
THEN THAT'S WHAT WILL HAPPEN! GERRY WILL MEET YOUR UNCLE ALFRED!
DAD?
HONEY!
DAD?
HONEY?


YES... IN FACT, UNCLE ALFRED WILL MAKE A SPECIAL VISIT HERE TOMORROW NIGHT... DIRECT FROM HIS PERFORMANCE... IN "THE ELEPHANT MAN"!
LET'S SEE, WE'LL NEED SOME TATTERED CLOTHES, BURLAP SACKS...
WHAT'S DAD UP TO, MOM?
BEATS ME, BRIAN!
UH-OH! THE PLOT SICKENS!


AND SO, THE NEXT EVENING...
DING DONG
OKAY, IT'S GERRY! IS UNCLE ALFRED READY?
YES! LET HIM IN!

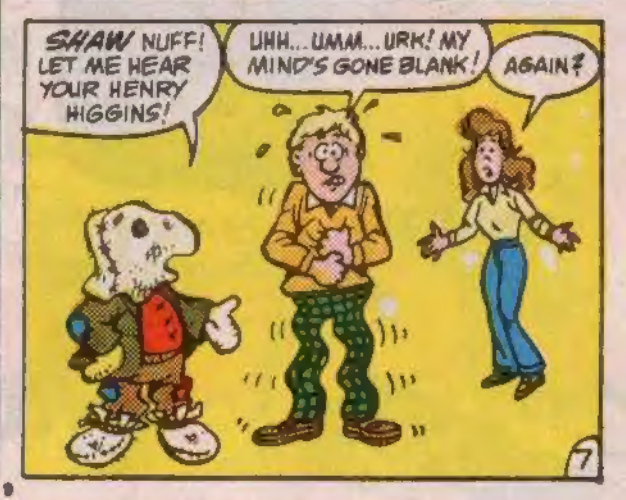
HI, GERRY!
IS HE REALLY HERE? OH, I CAN'T BELIEVE IT! TO THINK HE'D TAKE THE TIME TO TALK TO ME!

I'M SO EXCITED! DID HE HAVE TO FLY HERE FROM VERY FAR AWAY?
GERRY... YOU WOULDN'T BELIEVE HOW FAR!
FOLLOW ME!

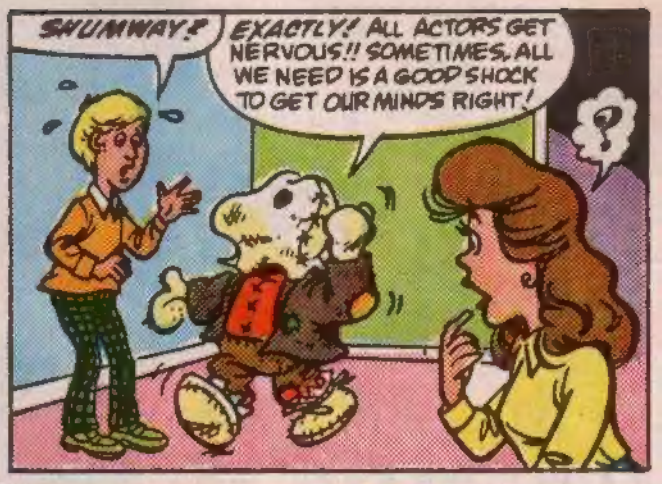

NOW REMEMBER... UNCLE ALFRED IS VERY TIRED! HE JUST RETURNED FROM APPEARING AS "THE ELEPHANT MAN"! IN FACT, HE'S STILL WEARING HIS COSTUME!
NOK NOK!
COME IN!
G-GOSH!

I AM NOT AN ANIMAL! I AM... A HUMAN BEING!
BRILLIANT! MAGNIFICENT! STUNNING!

AH, NICE TO MEET YOU, GER! YOU OBVIOUSLY HAVE AN EYE FOR TALENT! NOW LET'S SEE YOURS!
WHAT-- ME--? SAY MY LINES...? ¡GASP! IN YOUR PRESENCE?!


SHAW NUFF! LET ME HEAR YOUR HENRY HIGGINS!
UHH... UMM... URK! MY MIND'S GONE BLANK!
AGAIN?

I'M SORRY, SIR... I... CAN'T! I'LL NEVER BE A GOOD ACTOR!
THAT'S NO ATTITUDE, MY BOY! WHAT IF OLIVIER SAID THAT? OR BRANDO? OR SHUMWAY?


SHUMWAY?
EXACTLY! ALL ACTORS GET NERVOUS!! SOMETIMES, ALL WE NEED IS A GOOD SHOCK TO GET OUR MINDS RIGHT!
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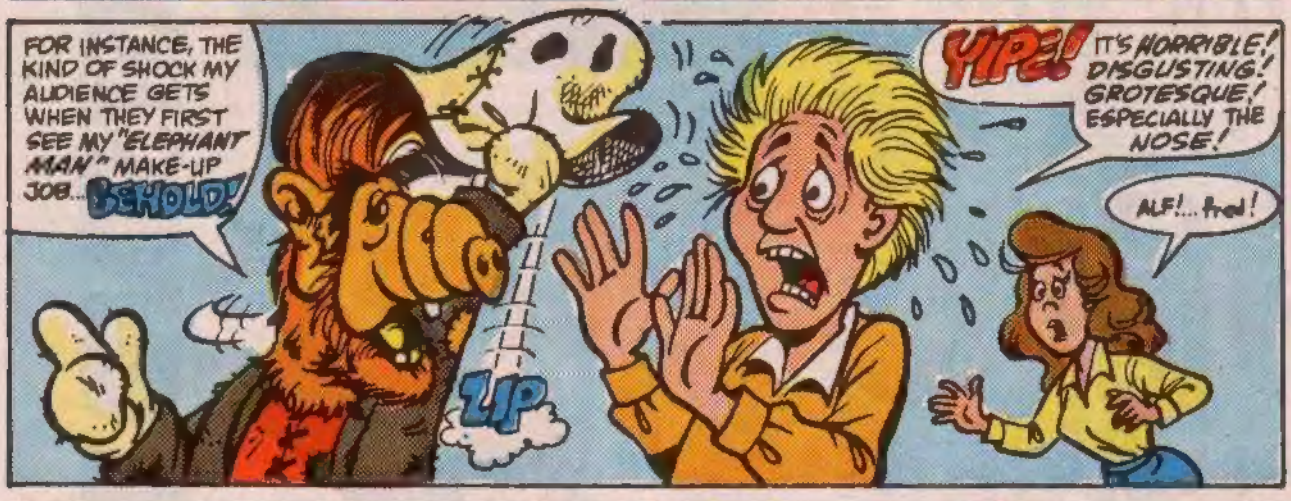
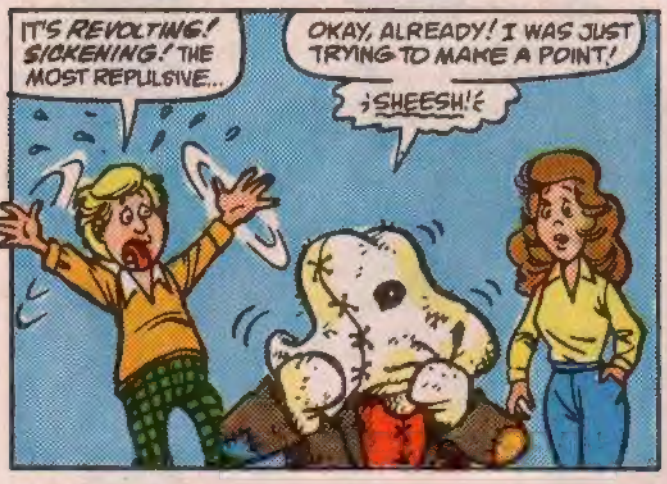
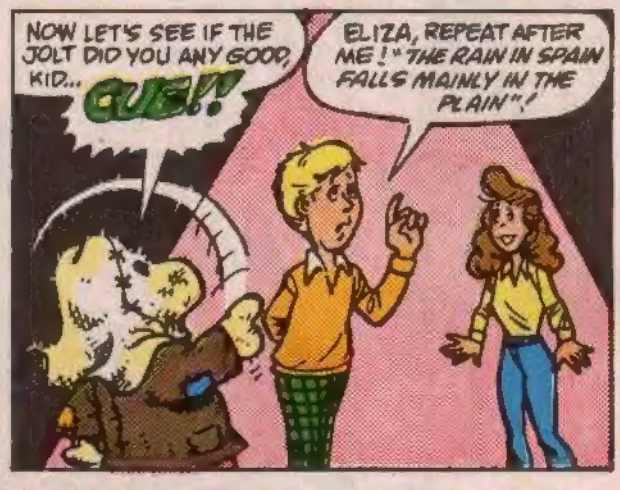
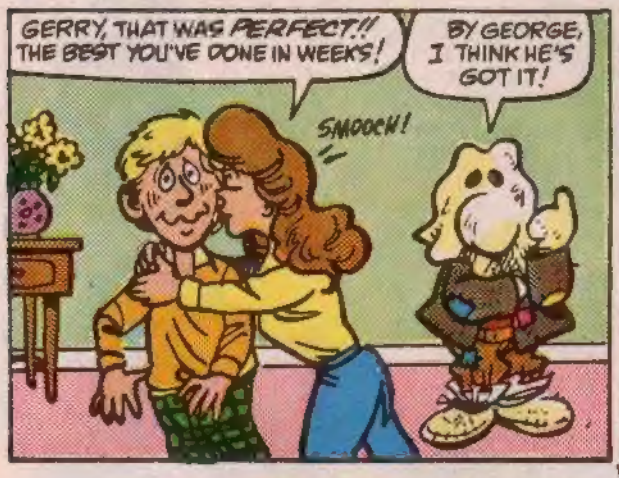

FOR INSTANCE, THE KIND OF SHOCK MY AUDIENCE GETS WHEN THEY FIRST SEE MY "ELEPHANT MAN" MAKE-UP JOB... BEHOLD!
YIPE!
IT'S HORRIBLE! DISGUSTING! GROTESQUE! ESPECIALLY THE NOSE!
ALF!... Fred!
UP


IT'S REVOLTING! SICKENING! THE MOST REPULSIVE...
OKAY, ALREADY! I WAS JUST TRYING TO MAKE A POINT!
¡SHEESH!¿


NOW LET'S SEE IF THE JOLT DID YOU ANY GOOD, KID...
GUG!!
ELIZA, REPEAT AFTER ME! "THE RAIN IN SPAIN FALLS MAINLY IN THE PLAIN"!


GERRY, THAT WAS PERFECT!! THE BEST YOU'VE DONE IN WEEKS!
BY GEORGE, I THINK HE'S GOT IT!
SMOOCH!

OH, BLESS YOU, SIR! HOW CAN I EVER THANK YOU?
DO YOU HAVE ANY CATS AT HOME?
¡Uncle Alfredo!

EVERAL DAYS LATER...
HOW DID DRESS REHEARSAL GO THIS AFTERNOON...?
TERRIFIC! THE SHOW'S GOING TO BE A HIT!
AND GERRY HASN'T MISSED ONE LINE SINCE HE MET DEAR OLD UNCLE ALFRED!
SHUCKS! 230 ISN'T OLD!
IN FACT, WE BOTH BOUGHT YOU THIS TOKEN OF OUR APPRECIATION!
A PRESENT? FOR MOI? I'M ALMOST SPEECHLESS!
WOULD YOU RATHER WAIT AND OPEN IT AFTER DIN...
...SILLY QUESTION!
SLICE
RIP
SHRED
TEAR
SLASH
HOW NICE OF YOU! A HARDCOVER BOOK!
IT'S A SPECIAL EDITION OF "THE ELEPHANT MAN" BY BERNARD POMERANCE!
THIS IS REALLY GREAT, LYNN! IT INSPIRES ME!
NO KIDDING! TO READ...? TO ACT...? TO WRITE?
THE ELEPHANT MAN
TO EAT! DON'T WE HAVE A BIG BAG OF PEANUTS SOMEWHERE? A-HA!!
ALF...WON'T THAT SPOIL YOUR SUPPER?
WITH ALF AROUND, NOTHING HAS TIME TO SPOIL!
LIGHTS FADE OUT, AND THE CURTAIN COMES DOWN...

ALF IN "ALOE AGAIN, NATURALLY!"

STAND ASIDE, ALF! THAT SCRAWNY GERANIUM ISN'T WORTH SAVING!

I BEG THEE... SPARE THIS NOBLE LIFE-FORM, OH, GRIM REAPER!

KWIK GROW

GALLAGHER / MANAK / SEVERIN

SINCE WHEN ARE YOU SUCH A *NATURE LOVER*, ALF?

MY DEAR KATESKI, ALL MELMACIANS CHERISH PLANTS! AS *ALOE VERA* WOULD SAY: "*LIFE IS A WET ROOT BALL, SO DIG IN!*"

AS *WHO* WOULD SAY?

I NEVER TOLD YOU HOW I INSPIRED MELMAC'S GREAT BOTANICAL PHILOSOPHER?

NO! BUT I HAVE A FEELING YOU'RE ABOUT TO!

CORRECT, MRS. TANNER! YOU'VE WON A FREE *MELMAC FLASHBACK*--! IT ALL STARTED WHEN I WAS VERY YOUNG! NO MORE THAN *55* OR *60*! I WAS JUST LEARNING TO WALK. AS DAD RETURNED FROM HIS JOB AT THE POLYESTER PLANT...

I'M HOME, HONION!

WALK TO DADDY, GORDON! HOW *CUTE*! HE TRIED!

DADA.. *OOF*!

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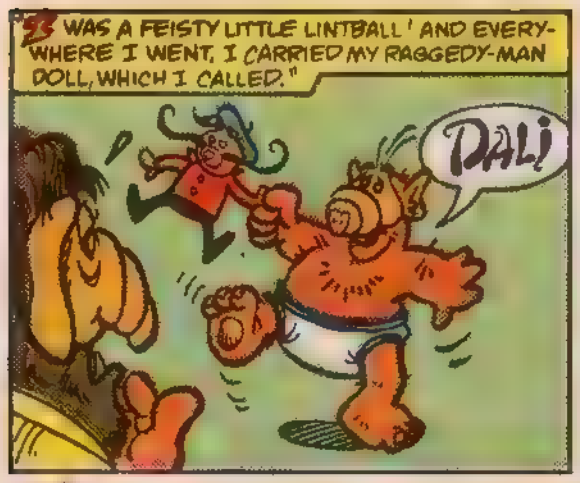
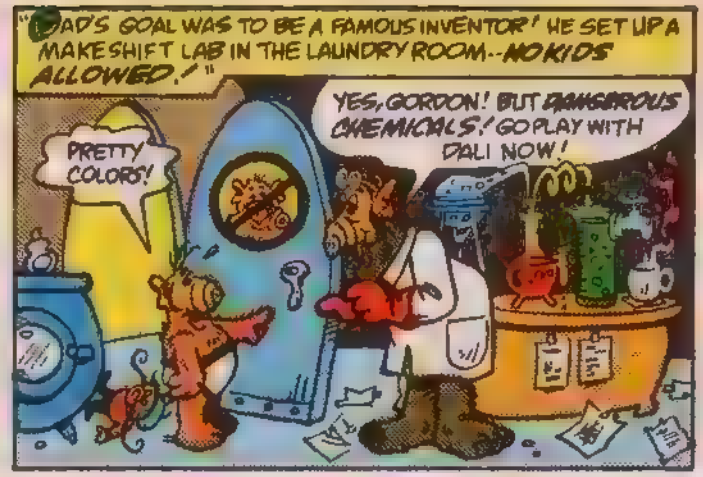
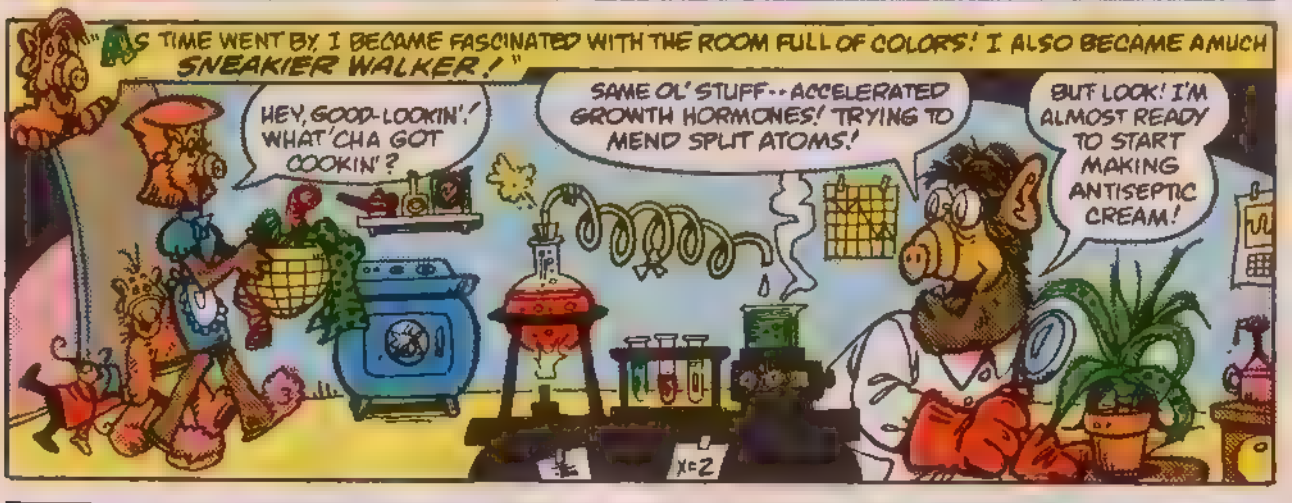

"I WAS A FEISTY LITTLE LINTBALL! AND EVERYWHERE I WENT, I CARRIED MY RAGGEDY-MAN DOLL, WHICH I CALLED."
DALI


"DAD'S GOAL WAS TO BE A FAMOUS INVENTOR! HE SET UP A MAKESHIFT LAB IN THE LAUNDRY ROOM--NO KIDS ALLOWED!"
PRETTY COLORS!
YES, GORDON! BUT DANGEROUS CHEMICALS! GO PLAY WITH DALI NOW!


"AS TIME WENT BY, I BECAME FASCINATED WITH THE ROOM FULL OF COLORS! I ALSO BECAME A MUCH SNEAKIER WALKER!"
HEY, GOOD-LOOKIN'! WHAT'CHA GOT COOKIN'?
SAME OL' STUFF--ACCELERATED GROWTH HORMONES! TRYING TO MEND SPLIT ATOMS!
BUT LOOK! I'M ALMOST READY TO START MAKING ANTISEPTIC CREAM!
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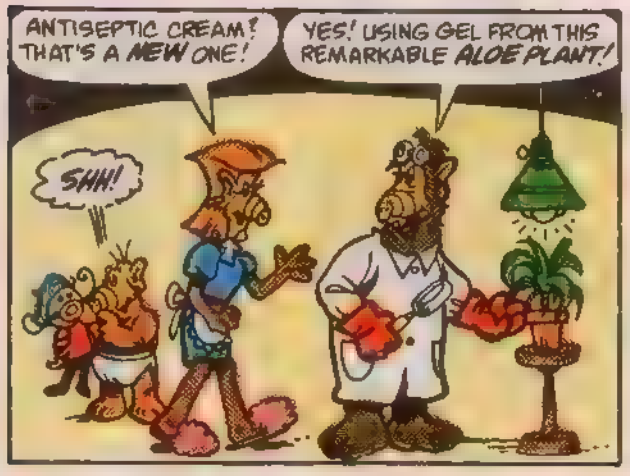
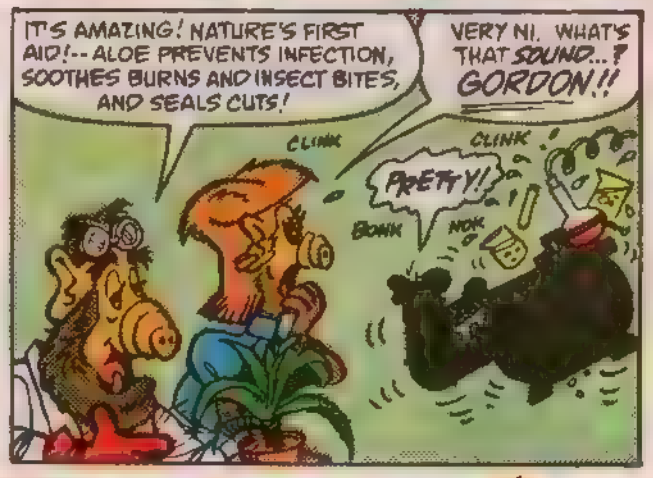
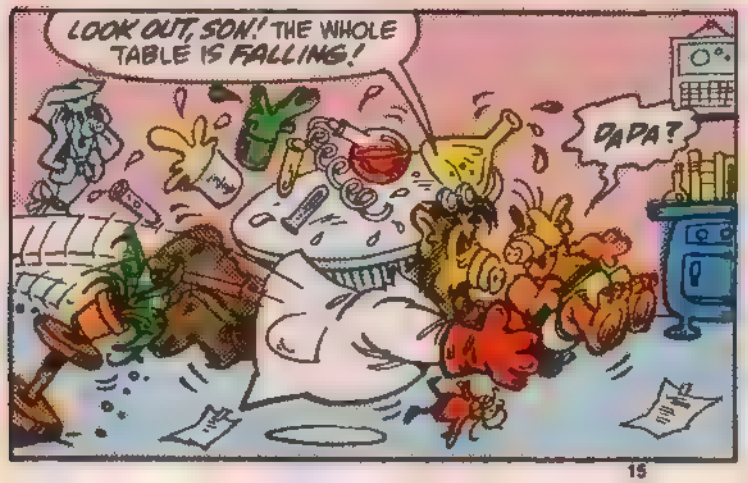
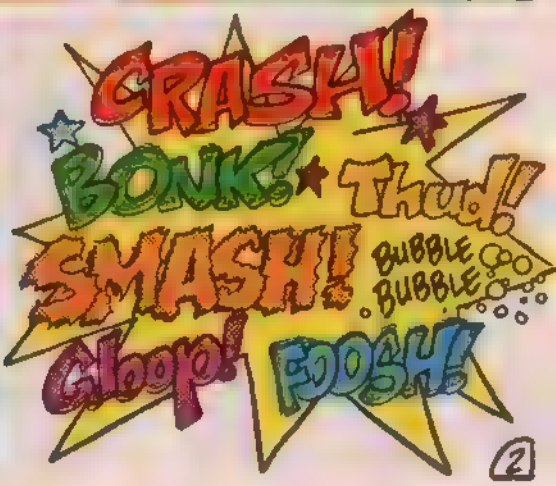

ANTISEPTIC CREAM? THAT'S A NEW ONE!
YES! USING GEL FROM THIS REMARKABLE ALOE PLANT!
SHH!


IT'S AMAZING! NATURE'S FIRST AID!--ALOE PREVENTS INFECTION, SOOTHES BURNS AND INSECT BITES, AND SEALS CUTS!
VERY NI. WHAT'S THAT SOUND...? GORDON!!
CLINK
CLINK
PRETTY!
BONK
NOK


LOOK OUT, SON! THE WHOLE TABLE IS FALLING!
DADA?


CRASH!
BONK!
Thud!
SMASH!
BUBBLE BUBBLE
Gloop!
FOOSH!
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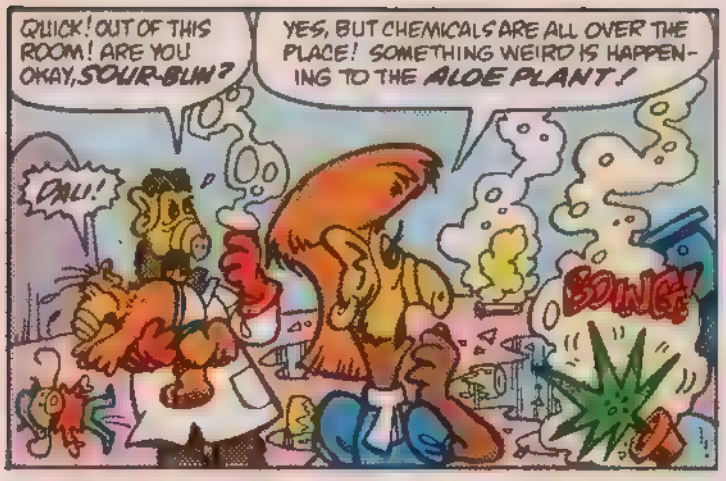
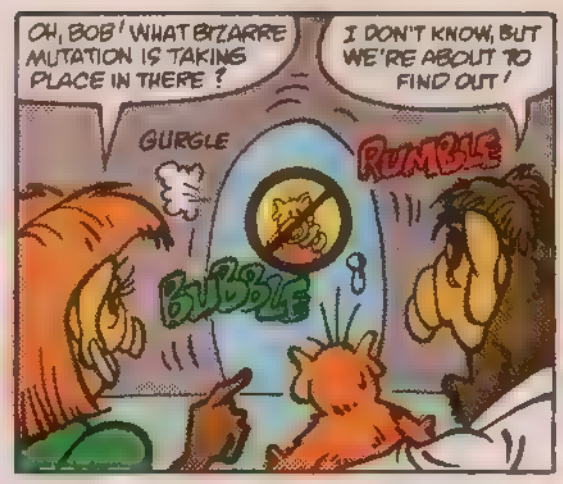
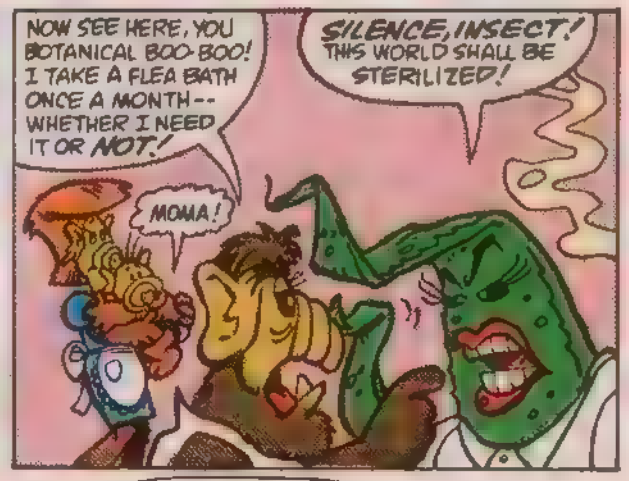
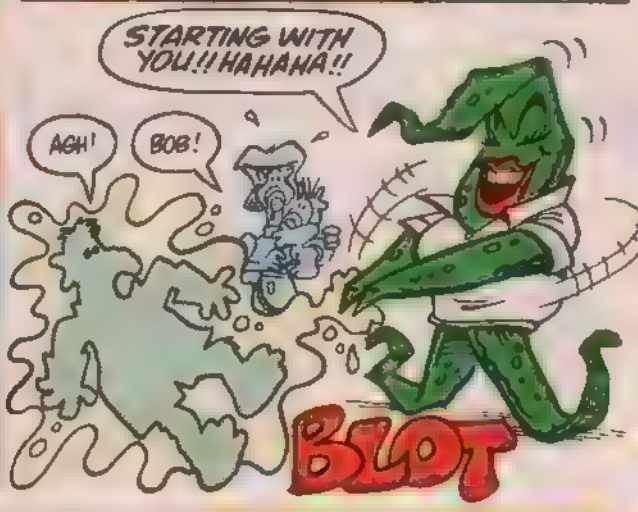
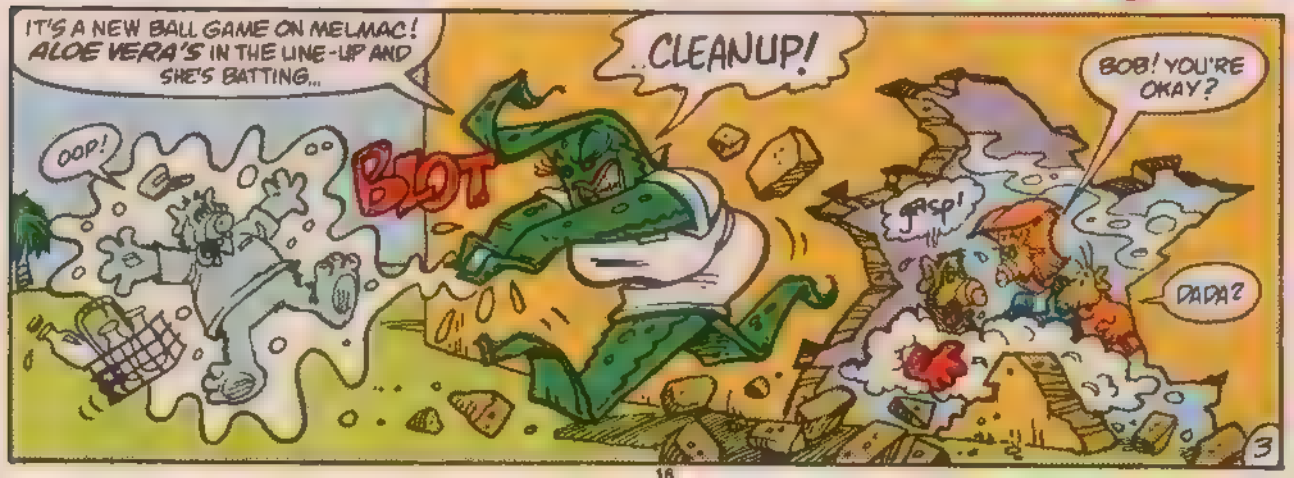

QUICK! OUT OF THIS ROOM! ARE YOU OKAY, SOUR-BUN?
YES, BUT CHEMICALS ARE ALL OVER THE PLACE! SOMETHING WEIRD IS HAPPENING TO THE ALOE PLANT!
DALI!
BOINGG!


OH, BOB! WHAT BIZARRE MUTATION IS TAKING PLACE IN THERE?
I DON'T KNOW, BUT WE'RE ABOUT TO FIND OUT!
GURGLE
RUMBLE
BUBBLE

CORRECT, YOU GERM-LADEN MELMACIAN! I AM ALOE VERA AND IT IS MY DUTY TO CLEANSE THIS FILTHY PLANET!
Gasp!
THUD


NOW SEE HERE, YOU BOTANICAL BOO-BOO! I TAKE A FLEA BATH ONCE A MONTH -- WHETHER I NEED IT OR NOT!
SILENCE, INSECT! THIS WORLD SHALL BE STERILIZED!
MOMA!


STARTING WITH YOU!! HAHAHA!!
AGH!
BOB!
BLOT


IT'S A NEW BALL GAME ON MELMAC! ALOE VERA'S IN THE LINE-UP AND SHE'S BATTING...
CLEANUP!
BOB! YOU'RE OKAY?
OOP!
BLOT
gasp!
DADA?
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SHE HIT ME WITH A HUGE BLOB OF ANTISEPTIC GEL! IT'S HER BIOLOGICAL INSTINCT TO SANITIZE!
YEAH, BUT THE WHOLE PLANET?
BLOT
URG!
DALI!
NO, GORDON, STAY OUT OF THERE! FLO, WE'RE LEAVING JUST AS SOON AS I CALL THE AUTHORITIES!
HMM SHOULD I CALL THE POLICE OR A LANDSCAPER?
DALI!
NO!
"RESPONSE WAS SWIFT.. BUT THESE WERE THE DAYS BEFORE THE ORBIT GUARD! SO THE MILITARY MUSTERED ITS FINEST CONVENTIONAL FORCES-- INCLUDING THE FAMOUS PINK BERETS, LED BY GENERAL MELMACARTHUR!"
CHARGE!
PHOOLS!
?
THEY WERE ENGULFED IN GERM-FREE GOO IN MOMENTS!
BLOT
BLOT
BLOT
"AN ARMORED ASSAULT FAILED, TOO; TANKS TO ALOE VERA!"
YOUR GROUND FORCES ARE GROUNDED, G.I. BOLO!
SHE'S SO MEAN!
BUT SO CLEAN!
BLOT
BLOT
"HEY HIT HER WITH EVERYTHING! BUT SHE CLIMBED TO THE TOP OF THE EX-FRIAR'S STATE BUILDING AND HIT BACK!"
YOU'RE MAKIN' IT EASY FOR THE CLEANUP WOMAN!
RETREAT! EVACUATE THE CITY!
BLOT
EX-FRIAR'S STATE BLDG
TAKE MY PLANT, PLEASE!
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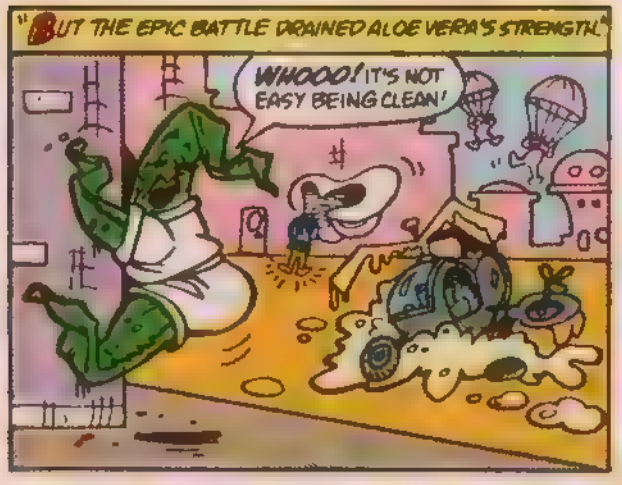
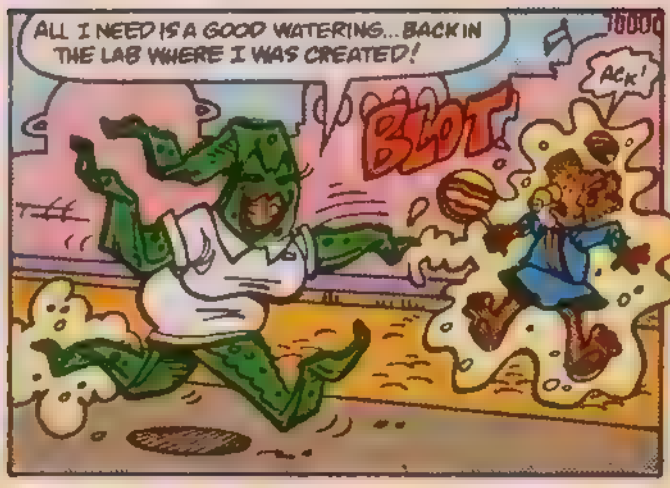
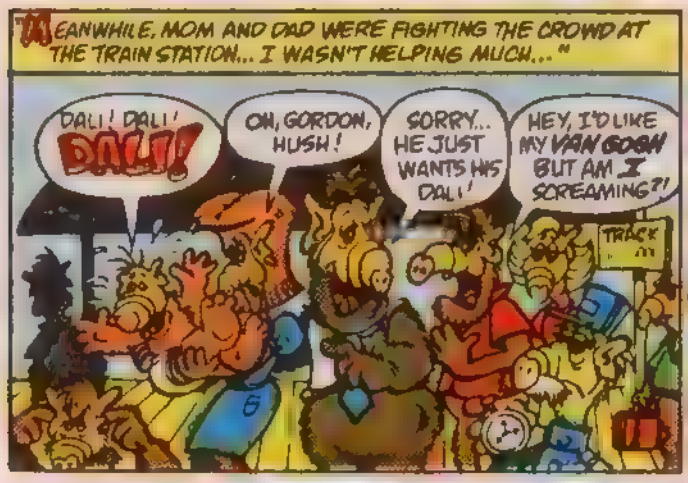
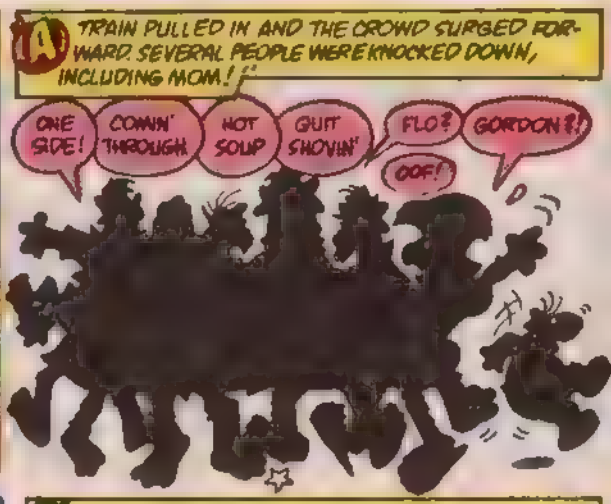
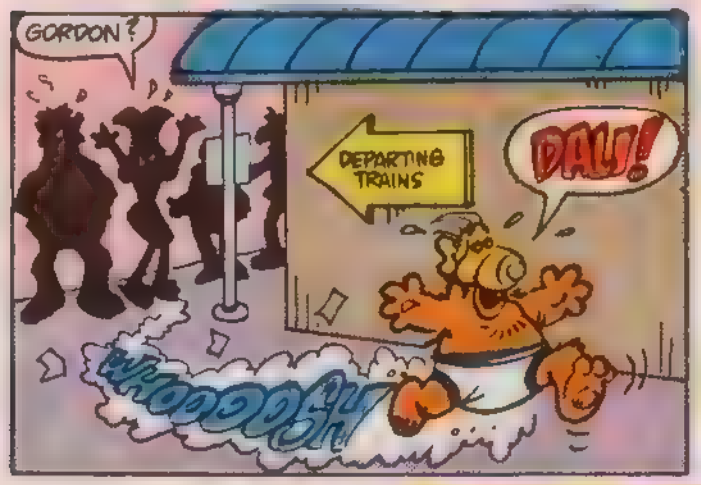
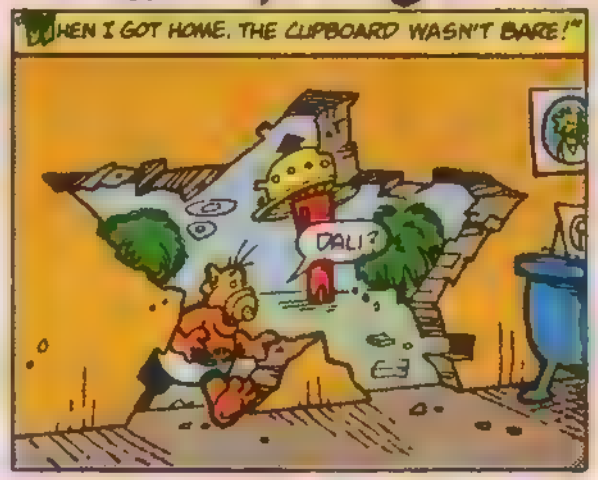

"BUT THE EPIC BATTLE DRAINED ALOE VERA'S STRENGTH."
WHOOO! IT'S NOT EASY BEING CLEAN!

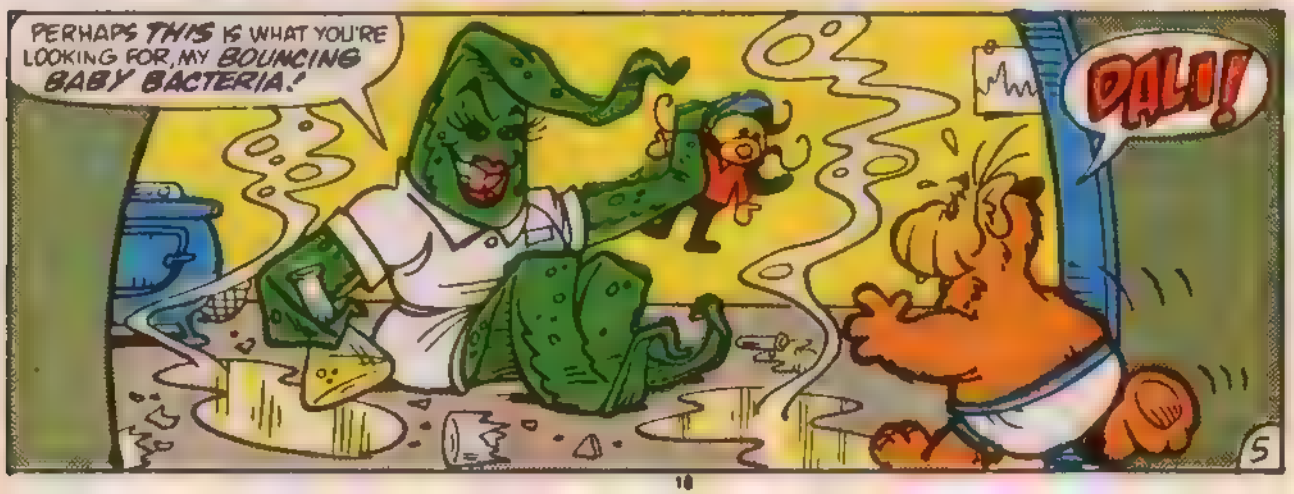

ALL I NEED IS A GOOD WATERING... BACK IN THE LAB WHERE I WAS CREATED!
ACK!
BLOT


"MEANWHILE, MOM AND DAD WERE FIGHTING THE CROWD AT THE TRAIN STATION... I WASN'T HELPING MUCH..."
DALI! DALI!
DALI!
OH, GORDON, HUSH!
SORRY... HE JUST WANTS HIS DALI!
HEY, I'D LIKE MY VAN GOGH BUT AM I SCREAMING?!
TRACK


TRAIN PULLED IN AND THE CROWD SURGED FORWARD. SEVERAL PEOPLE WERE KNOCKED DOWN, INCLUDING MOM!"
ONE SIDE!
COMIN' THROUGH
NOT SOUP
QUIT SHOVIN'
FLO?
GORDON?!
OOF!


GORDON?
DEPARTING TRAINS
DALI!
WHOOOOSH


"WHEN I GOT HOME, THE CUPBOARD WASN'T BARE!"
DALI?


PERHAPS THIS IS WHAT YOU'RE LOOKING FOR, MY BOUNCING BABY BACTERIA!
DALI!
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NOW THAT I'M BACK TO FULL STRENGTH, I'LL... EH?

NICE LADY! SAVE DALI!

Gurgle

IO-Q!

"AS I HUGGED HER, I COULD HEAR A CHEMICAL CHANGE OCCURRING.. HER HORMONES KICKED IN, AND ALOE VERA'S MATERNAL INSTINCTS TOOK OVER!

FZZZ

Zip!

"SHE'D TURNED OVER A NEW LEAF!

?

SNIFF

Z

"ALOE VERA WENT ON TO BECOME A WORLD-RENOWNED SPOKESPLANT FOR HEALTHCARE THROUGH HERBAL MEDICINE!"

HAVE YOU HUGGED YOUR CACTUS TODAY?

"SHE HAD A SUCCESSFUL CAREER ON T.V....

WHAT'S THE DIRT, LIEF?

"...WHICH LED TO VIDEO CASSETTES, BEST-SELLING BOOKS, AND A FORTUNE-500 COSMETICS FIRM!

APPEARING TONITE ALOE VERA TICKETS $18 WERNIX

ROOTS MY OWN STORY ALOE VERA

THE ALOE VERA ANAEROBIC WORKOUT

ROOTS

ROOTS

LOTION

SHAMPOO

"THROUGH IT ALL, SHE NEVER FORGOT US! IN FACT, WHEN THEY MADE AN ACTION FIGURE OF HER, SHE GAVE ME ONE!"

GORDON! LOOK WHAT AUNTIE VERA'S BROUGHT YOU!

WOW! MY OWN ALOE DOLLY!*

AND GOOD-BYE, DALI!

TRASH

* INDICATES and VERACORP INT'L.

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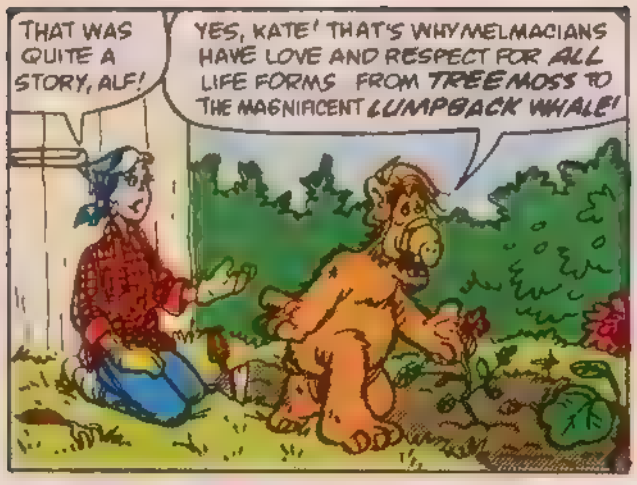
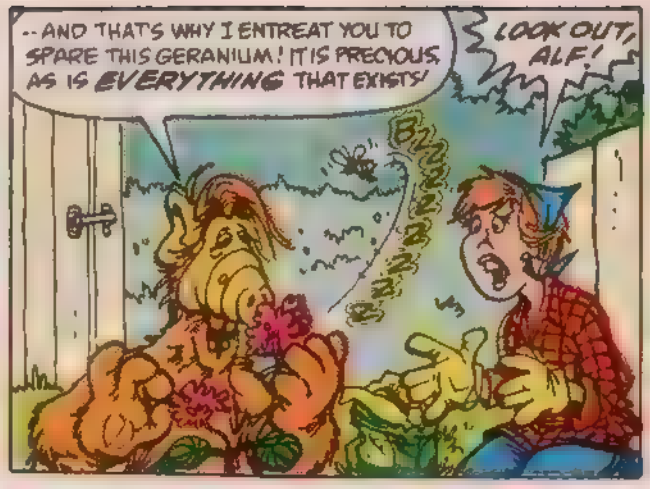
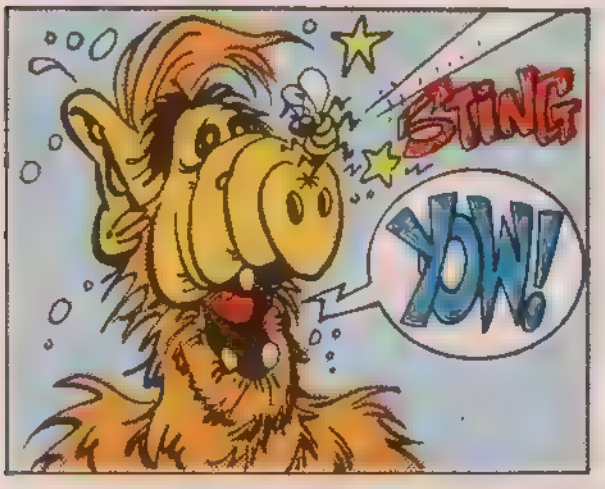
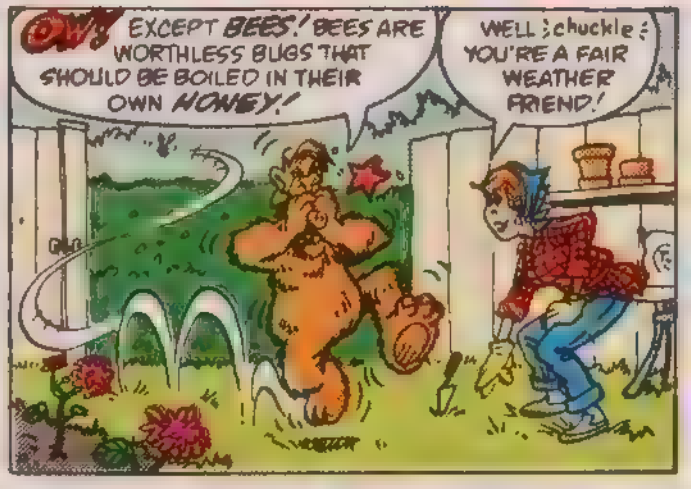
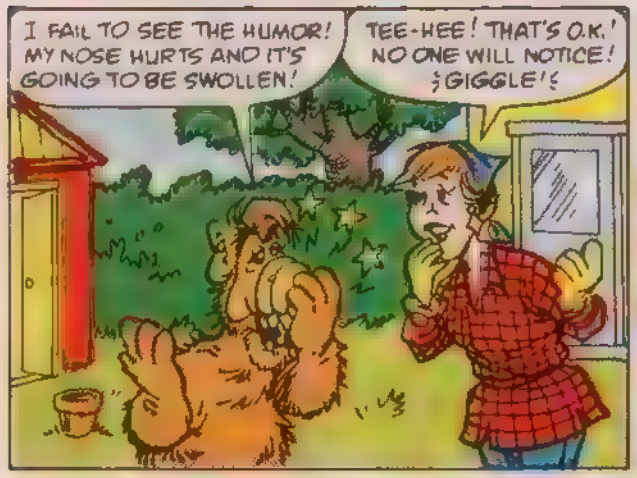
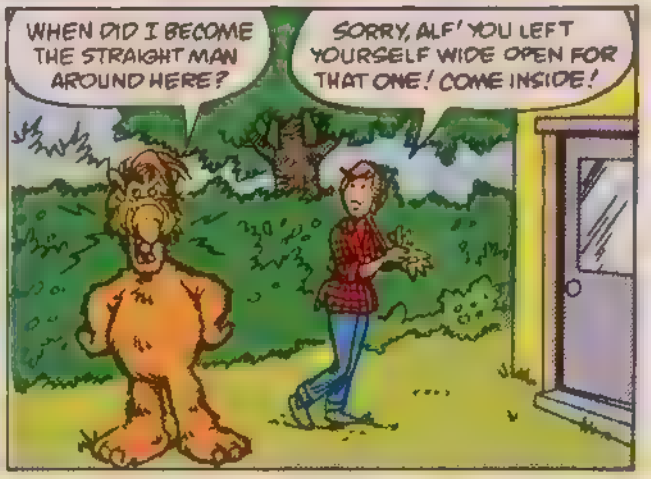

THAT WAS QUITE A STORY, ALF!
YES, KATE! THAT'S WHY MELMACIANS HAVE LOVE AND RESPECT FOR ALL LIFE FORMS FROM TREE MOSS TO THE MAGNIFICENT LUMPBACK WHALE!

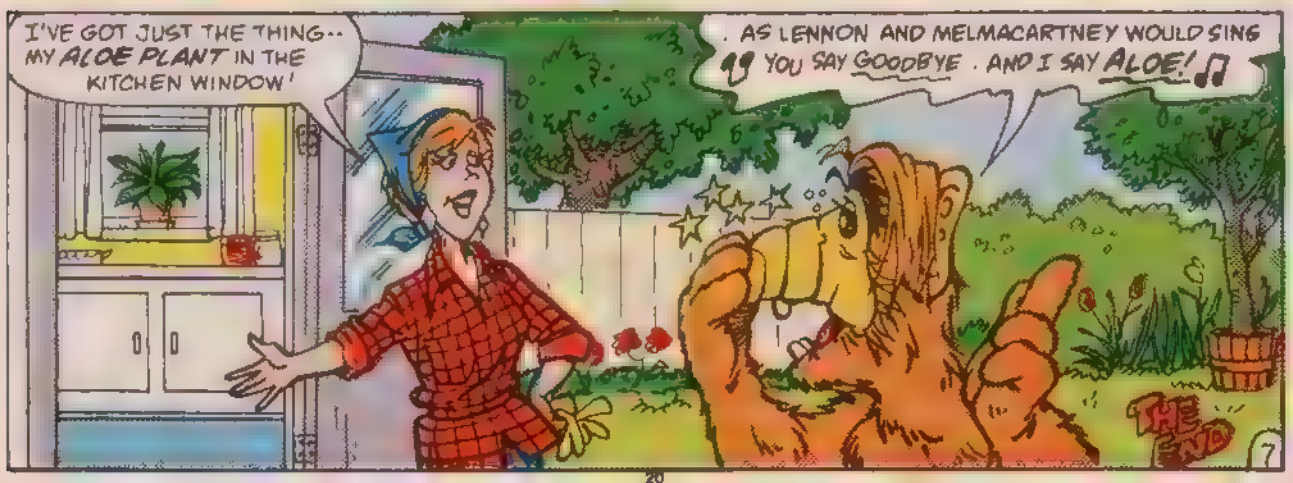

..AND THAT'S WHY I ENTREAT YOU TO SPARE THIS GERANIUM! IT IS PRECIOUS, AS IS EVERYTHING THAT EXISTS!
LOOK OUT, ALF!
BZZZZZZZ


STING
YOW!


OW! EXCEPT BEES! BEES ARE WORTHLESS BUGS THAT SHOULD BE BOILED IN THEIR OWN HONEY!
WELL {chuckle} YOU'RE A FAIR WEATHER FRIEND!


I FAIL TO SEE THE HUMOR! MY NOSE HURTS AND IT'S GOING TO BE SWOLLEN!
TEE-HEE! THAT'S O.K.! NO ONE WILL NOTICE! {GIGGLE!}


WHEN DID I BECOME THE STRAIGHT MAN AROUND HERE?
SORRY, ALF! YOU LEFT YOURSELF WIDE OPEN FOR THAT ONE! COME INSIDE!


I'VE GOT JUST THE THING.. MY ALOE PLANT IN THE KITCHEN WINDOW!
. AS LENNON AND MELMACARTNEY WOULD SING ♪ YOU SAY GOODBYE . AND I SAY ALOE! ♪
THE END
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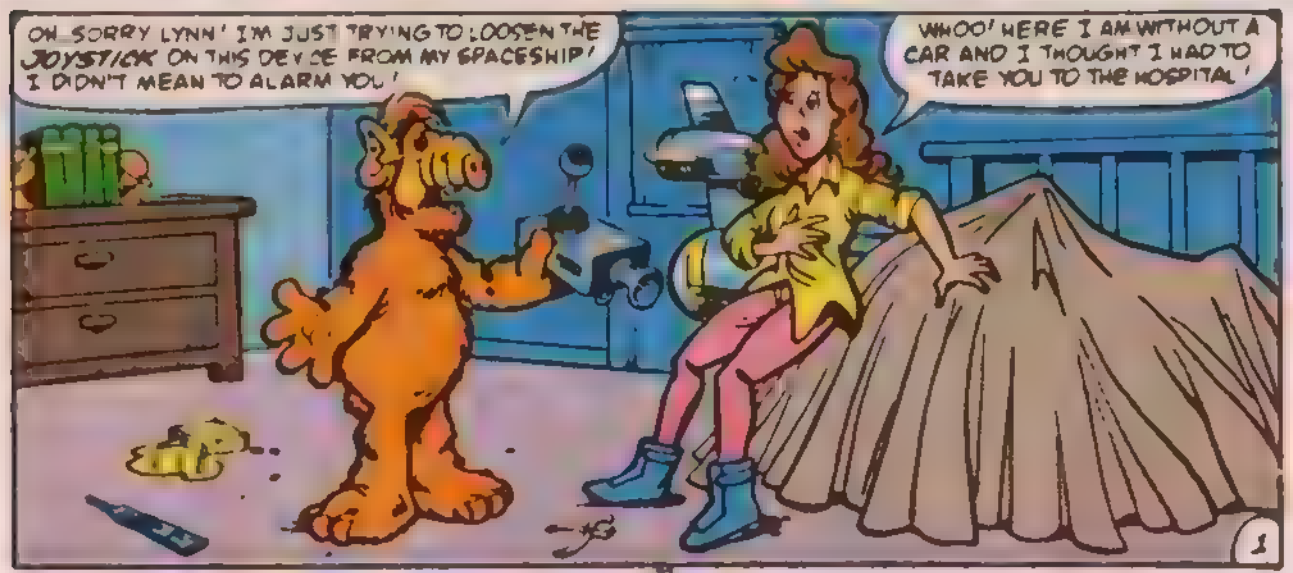
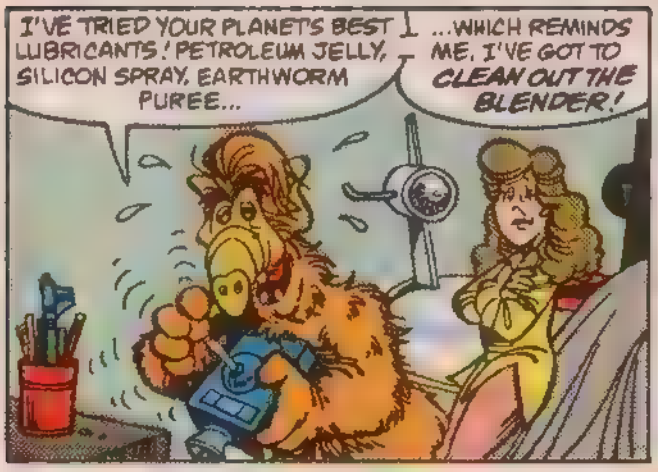
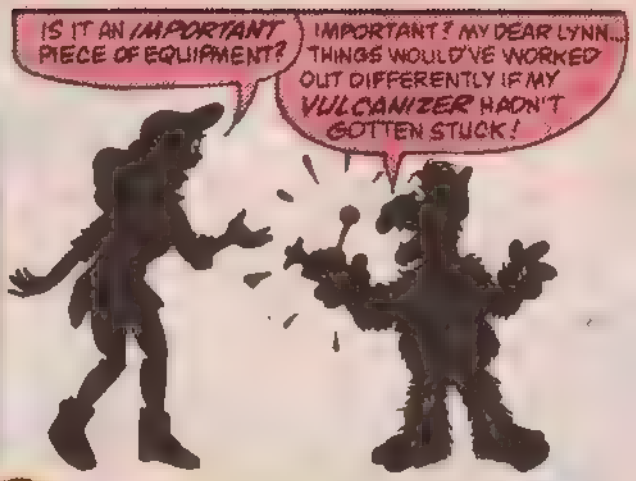
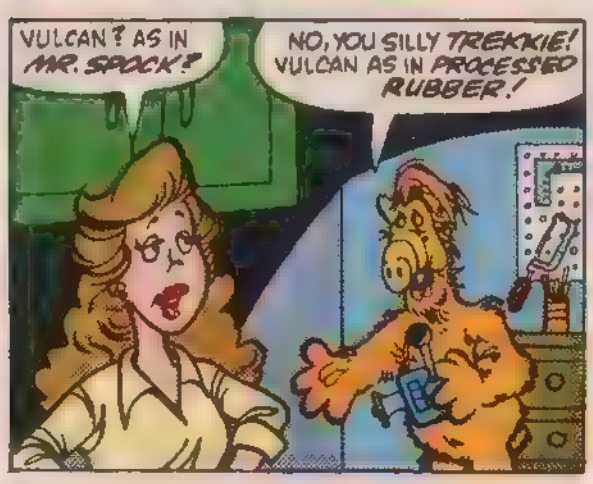
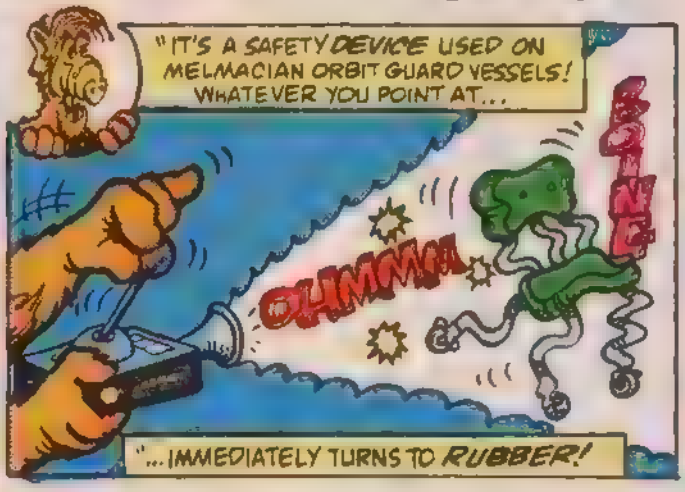
ALF in BOUNCE THY NEIGHBOR!

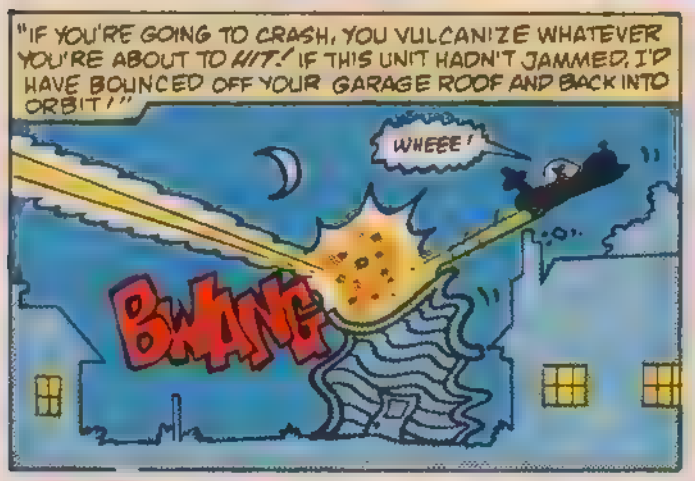


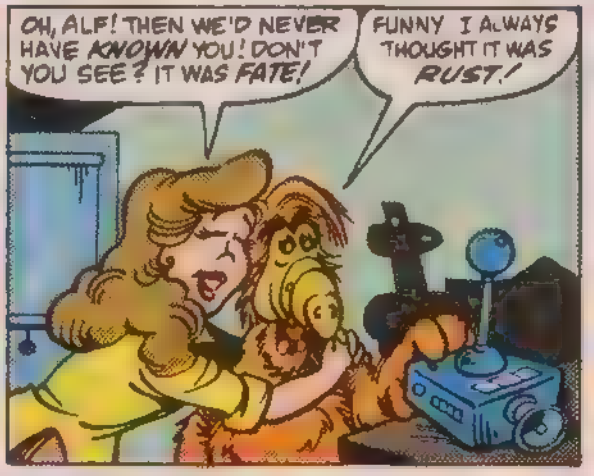

I'VE TRIED YOUR PLANET'S BEST LUBRICANTS! PETROLEUM JELLY, SILICON SPRAY, EARTHWORM PUREE...
...WHICH REMINDS ME, I'VE GOT TO CLEAN OUT THE BLENDER!

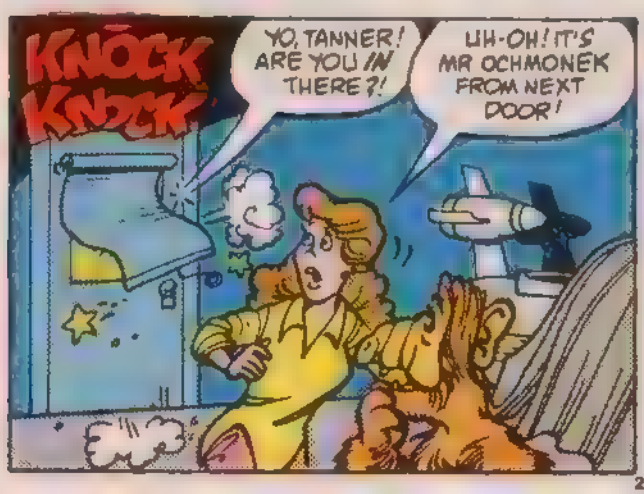

IS IT AN IMPORTANT PIECE OF EQUIPMENT?
IMPORTANT? MY DEAR LYNN... THINGS WOULD'VE WORKED OUT DIFFERENTLY IF MY VULCANIZER HADN'T GOTTEN STUCK!

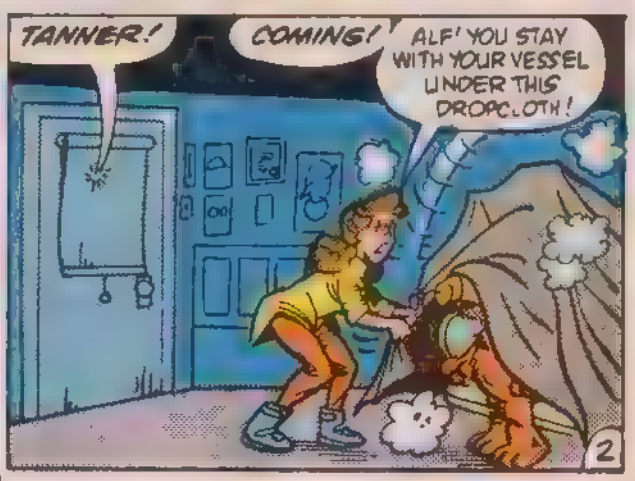

VULCAN? AS IN MR. SPOCK?
NO, YOU SILLY TREKKIE! VULCAN AS IN PROCESSED RUBBER!


"IT'S A SAFETY DEVICE USED ON MELMACIAN ORBIT GUARD VESSELS! WHATEVER YOU POINT AT...
OHMMMM
SPINE
"...IMMEDIATELY TURNS TO RUBBER!


"IF YOU'RE GOING TO CRASH, YOU VULCANIZE WHATEVER YOU'RE ABOUT TO HIT! IF THIS UNIT HADN'T JAMMED, I'D HAVE BOUNCED OFF YOUR GARAGE ROOF AND BACK INTO ORBIT!"
WHEEE!
BWANG


OH, ALF! THEN WE'D NEVER HAVE KNOWN YOU! DON'T YOU SEE? IT WAS FATE!
FUNNY I ALWAYS THOUGHT IT WAS RUST!


KNOCK KNOCK
YO, TANNER! ARE YOU IN THERE?!
UH-OH! IT'S MR OCHMONEK FROM NEXT DOOR!


TANNER!
COMING!
ALF! YOU STAY WITH YOUR VESSEL UNDER THIS DROPCLOTH!
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¡GULP!¿ HIYA, TREVOR! DAD'S NOT HOME RIGHT...

THAT'S OKAY, LYNN! MIND IF I CHECK OUT HIS TOOL BENCH?

WHAT'S THE PROBLEM?

KACHOO!

GESUNDHEIT! I WANT TO RETURN YOUR POP'S MOWER, BUT I THOUGHT I'D FIX IT FIRST!

FIX IT?

I GUESS I SHOULDN'T HAVE TRIMMED AROUND THE ROCK WALL WITH IT! HAS HE GOT A SPARE THROTTLE?

AH... JUST THE THING!

OH, NO! WAIT! THAT'S NOT THE PART YOU NEED!

¿CHUCKLE¿ WHEN DID YOU GRADUATE FROM MECHANIC'S SCHOOL, KID? I'LL HAVE IT RUNNING IN NO TIME!

CIAO!

ALF!

HE TOOK YOUR VULCANIZER!

FLOOMF!

FIRST THINGS FIRST! DID I HEAR SOMEONE MENTION CHOW?

ALF!! THIS IS SERIOUS!

NO PROBLEM, LYNN! A GORILLA COULDN'T LOOSEN THAT JOYSTICK! I'LL RECOVER IT LATER!

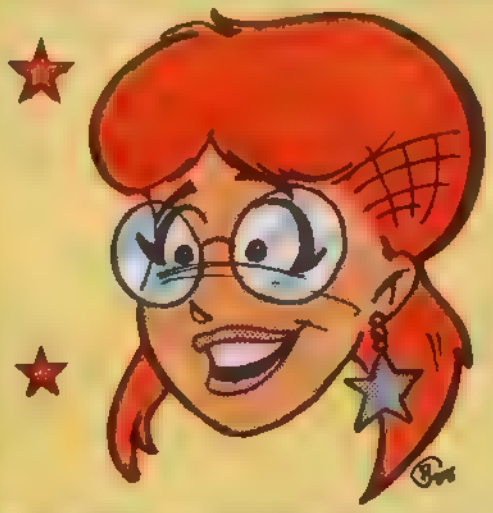
NOW, SHHH! I THINK I HEAR YOUR MOM!

WHAT ON EARTH IS IN THE BLENDER?

YEP IT'S THE KATESTER!

STAR SIGNALS

MEET SUPER STAR: SUE FLAXMAN

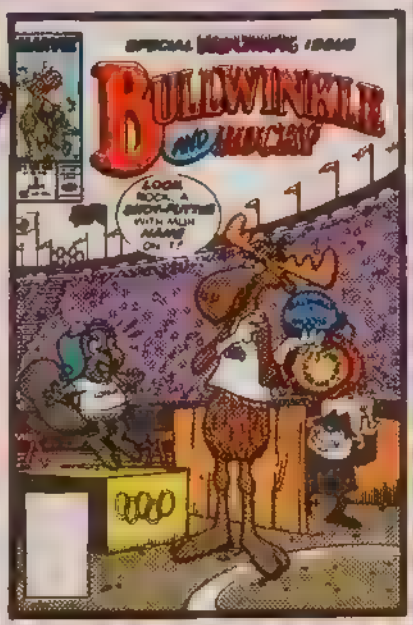


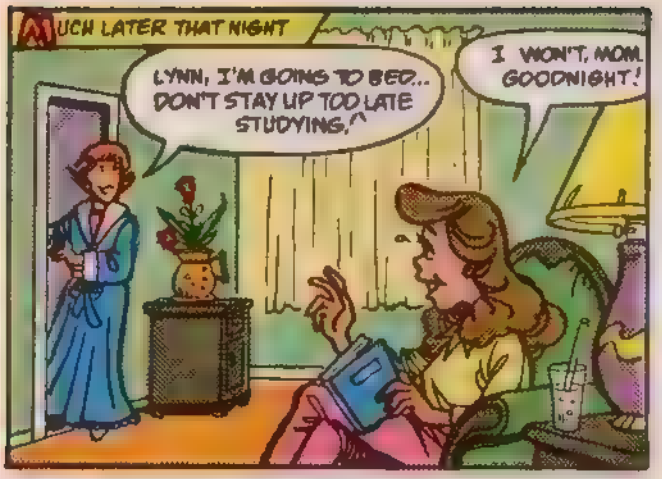
Assistant Editor on: All those nutty STAR books!
Marvel freelance credits (past): The ever-famous article about the Marvel intern program for MARVEL AGE, several letter columns, and an issue of THUNDERCATS which will (maybe!) be published in England!
Marvel freelance credits (present): A bunch of stories for MARVEL COMICS PRESENTS.

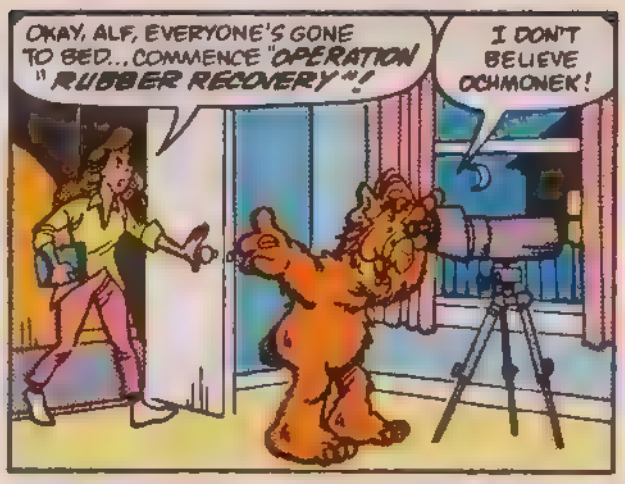
My hobbies are: Fantasy role-playing, Society for Creative Anachronism, reading mystery novels, singing silly Celtic songs in a loud voice, and wearing a purple feather in my hat
The single work which I am most proud of is: Being Marvel's editorial secretary for almost *2 years!* Whew!
My pet peeves are: Early-morning phone calls, computers, and villains who say "Bah."
My place of birth is: Buffalo, NY.
My greatest accomplishment outside the comics field is: Reading GONE WITH THE WIND thirty-seven times in 10 years.
My oddest habit is: Driving down the New Jersey Turnpike in [redacted]
If they were making a movie of my life, I'd like to see my part played by: Janine Melnitz
The reason I got into comics was: I wanted to be able to wear jeans to work
People who knew me in High School thought I was: The Stage Manager
My favorite performers are: The Grateful Dead, Clannad, the Pogues, Bob Dylan, RUSH
The last good book I read was: RITE OF SPRING by Andrew Greeley
The last good movie I saw was: THE VIKINGS
The biggest influences on my work include: Virginia Woolf, the Brontës, Marion Bradley
My greatest unfulfilled ambition in the comics field is: To say "swordfish" to John Lewandowski 5 mornings in a row.
The worst part of my job is: Ask me again in 6 months — so far, no complaints.
When nobody's looking I like to: Take my shoes off in the office & put my feet on the desk
The one thing I really want the world to know about me is: I feel very strongly that women can write comics as well as men — and more women should be *doing* so!

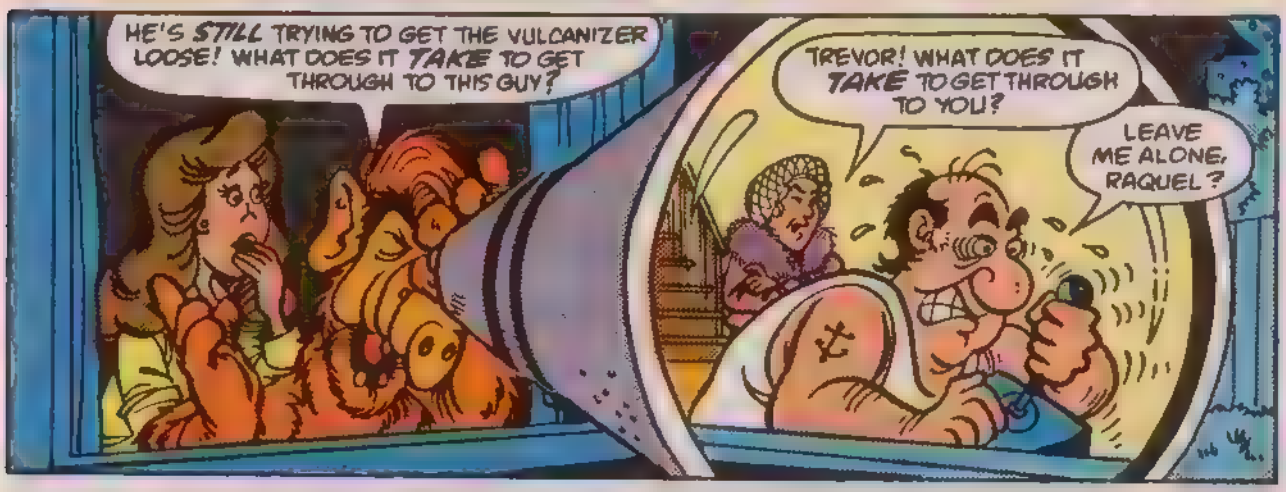
CHECKLIST

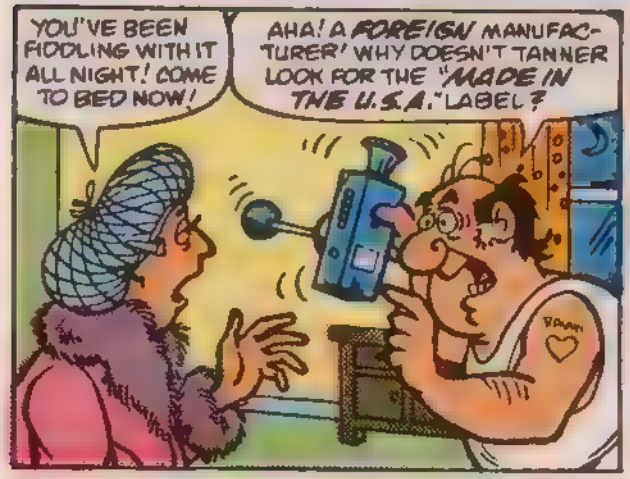
- ☐ HEATHCLIFF'S FUNHOUSE #9
- ☐ ALF #7
- ☐ LITTLE WIZARDS #1
- ☐ HEATHCLIFF #26
- ☐ AIR RAIDERS #6
- ☐ VISIONARIES #6
- ☐ BULLWINKLE AND ROCKY #6
- ☐ MUPPET BABIES #21
- ☐ FRAGGLE ROCK #6
- ☐ CARE BEARS #18

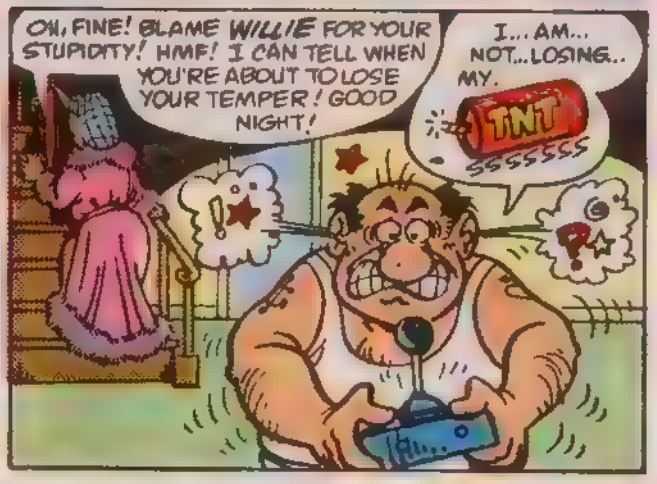


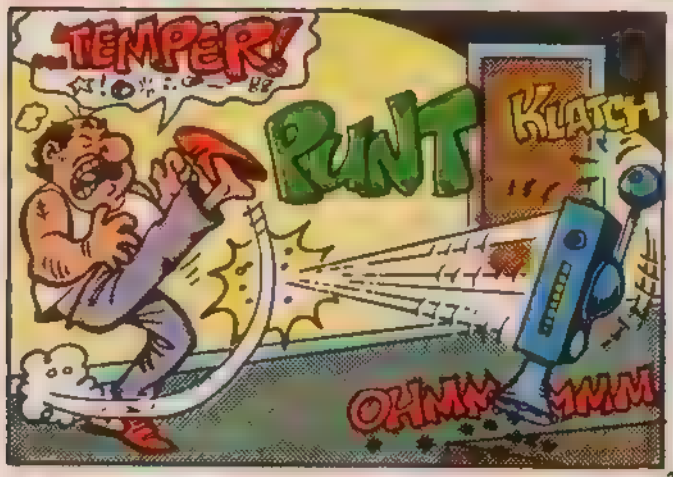

MUCH LATER THAT NIGHT
LYNN, I'M GOING TO BED... DON'T STAY UP TOO LATE STUDYING,^
I WON'T, MOM. GOODNIGHT!

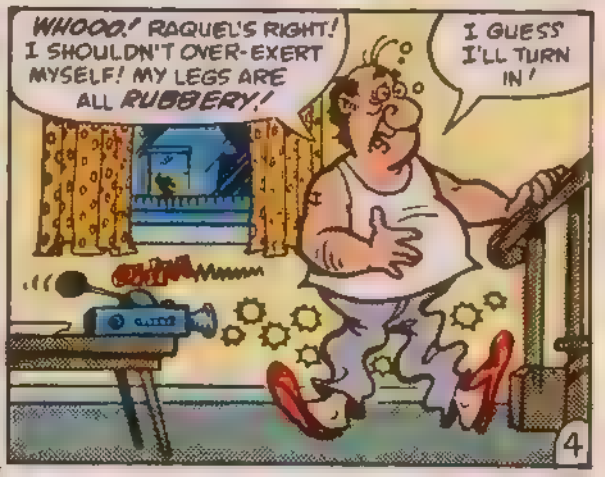

OKAY, ALF, EVERYONE'S GONE TO BED... COMMENCE "OPERATION "RUBBER RECOVERY"!
I DON'T BELIEVE OCHMONEK!


HE'S STILL TRYING TO GET THE VULCANIZER LOOSE! WHAT DOES IT TAKE TO GET THROUGH TO THIS GUY?
TREVOR! WHAT DOES IT TAKE TO GET THROUGH TO YOU?
LEAVE ME ALONE, RAQUEL?


YOU'VE BEEN FIDDLING WITH IT ALL NIGHT! COME TO BED NOW!
AHA! A FOREIGN MANUFACTURER! WHY DOESN'T TANNER LOOK FOR THE "MADE IN THE U.S.A." LABEL?


OH, FINE! BLAME WILLIE FOR YOUR STUPIDITY! HMF! I CAN TELL WHEN YOU'RE ABOUT TO LOSE YOUR TEMPER! GOOD NIGHT!
I... AM... NOT... LOSING... MY.
TNT
SSSSSSS


TEMPER!
PUNT
KLATCH
OHMM MMM


WHOOO! RAQUEL'S RIGHT! I SHOULDN'T OVER-EXERT MYSELF! MY LEGS ARE ALL RUBBERY!
I GUESS I'LL TURN IN!
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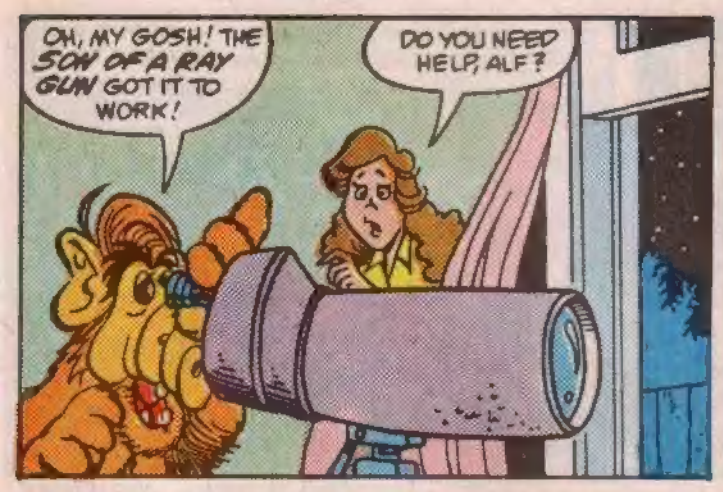
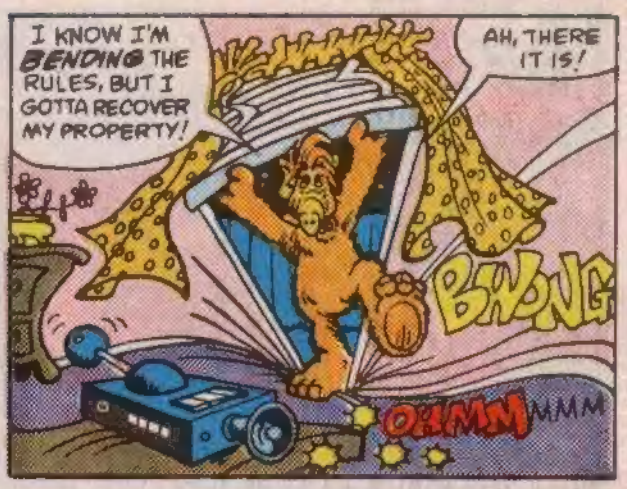
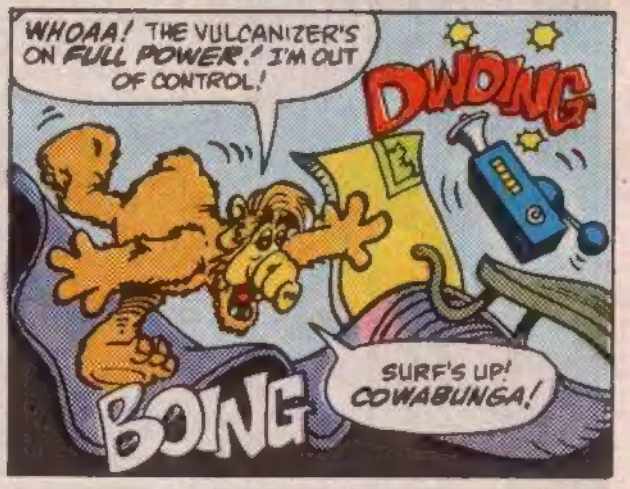

OH, MY GOSH! THE SON OF A RAY GUN GOT IT TO WORK!
DO YOU NEED HELP, ALF?

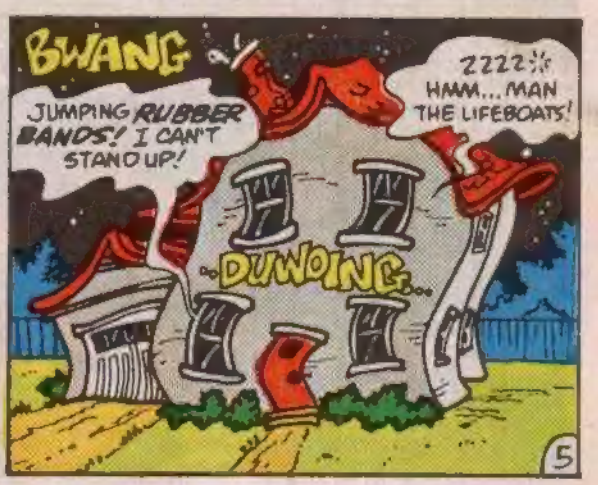
NO, LYNN... AS THEY SAY: "I MADE MY BED... NOW I'VE GOT TO EAT IN IT!" SEE YOU IN THE MORNING, KID!
GOOD LUCK!

GOOD THING EARTHLINGS HAVE SUCH TINY EARS! I CAN HEAR THE VULCANIZER HUMMING AWAY!
TREVOR'S HOUSE IS STARTING TO RUBBERIZE!
OHMMMMMM...
BWOING
DOING
FWUMP


I KNOW I'M BENDING THE RULES, BUT I GOTTA RECOVER MY PROPERTY!
AH, THERE IT IS!
BWOING
OHMMMMMM


WHOAA! THE VULCANIZER'S ON FULL POWER! I'M OUT OF CONTROL!
DWOING
SURF'S UP! COWABUNGA!
BOING

WHEE! A BREAK DANCE WHERE NOTHING CAN BREAK!
OHMMMMM
BLOING
WOING


BWANG
JUMPING RUBBER BANDS! I CAN'T STAND UP!
ZZZZ
HMM... MAN THE LIFEBOATS!
DUWOING...
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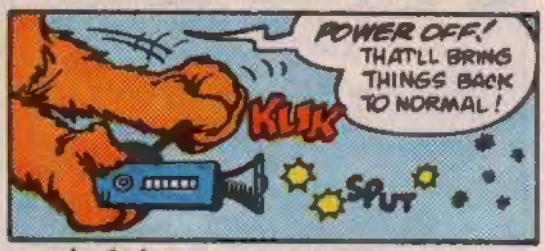
WOMEN AND CHILDREN FIR... ! HOLY SMOKES! WHAT A NIGHTMARE!
BLOING
Z

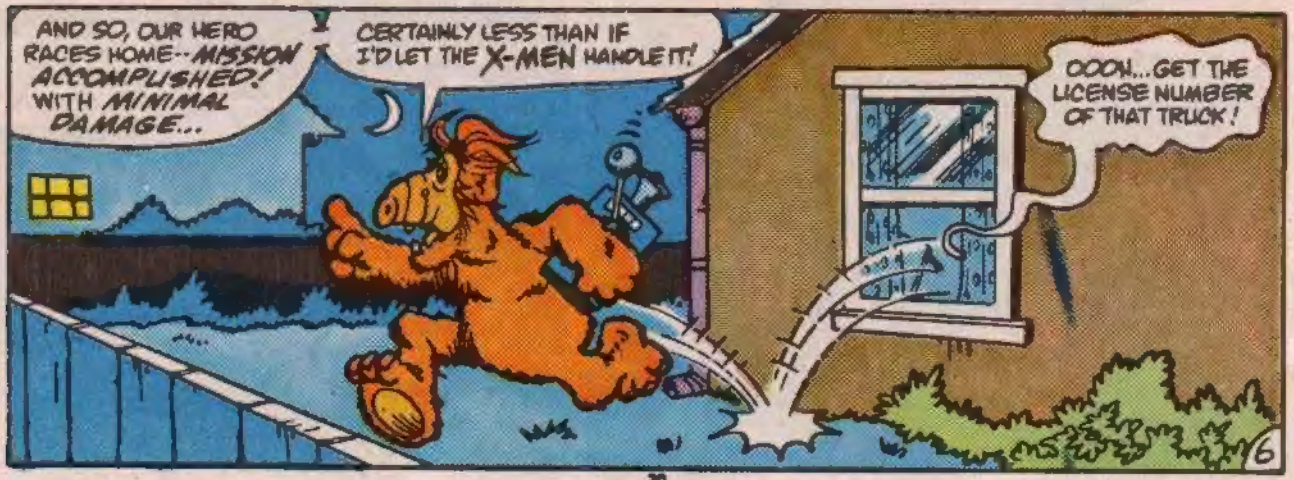
I THINK I'LL TAKE AN ASPROOO-OH NO! IF THERE'S ONE THING I HATE, IT'S A DRCAM WITHIN A DREAM!
SHA-BOING
DWOINK

OH, MAN! THAT'S THE LAST TIME I EAT TRIPLE PORTIONS OF RAQUEL'S SWEET 'N' SOUR SQUID!
BWANG!
SHEESH! HERE COMES TREVOR! I GOTTA MAKE A CATCH LIKE MY OLD HERO, WILLIE MELMCCOVEY!

GOTCHA!


POWER OFF! THAT'LL BRING THINGS BACK TO NORMAL!
KLIK
SPUT

YIPE!
THUD
CLUNK
WHAM!
UNFORTUNATELY, THAT INCLUDES THE STAIRS! SORRY ABOUT THAT!


AND SO, OUR HERO RACES HOME--MISSION ACCOMPLISHED! WITH MINIMAL DAMAGE...
CERTAINLY LESS THAN IF I'D LET THE X-MEN HANDLE IT!
OOOH...GET THE LICENSE NUMBER OF THAT TRUCK!
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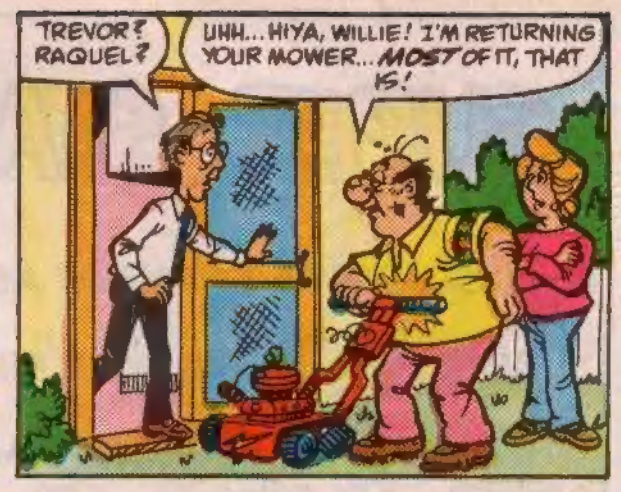

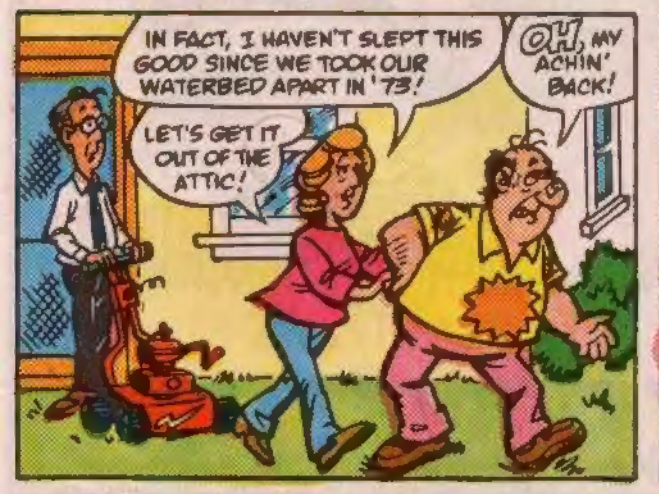

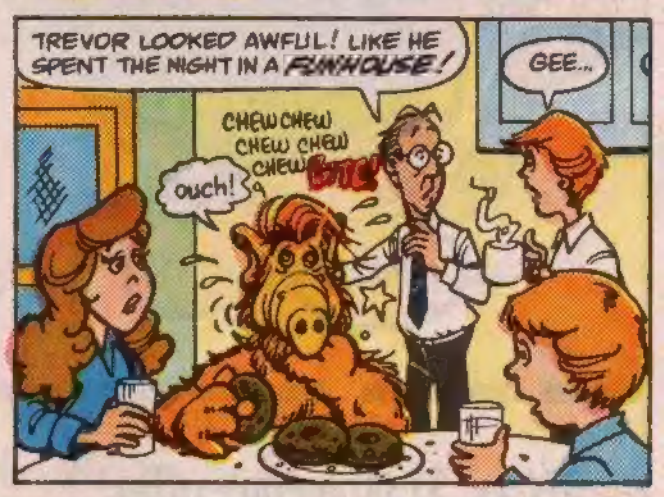

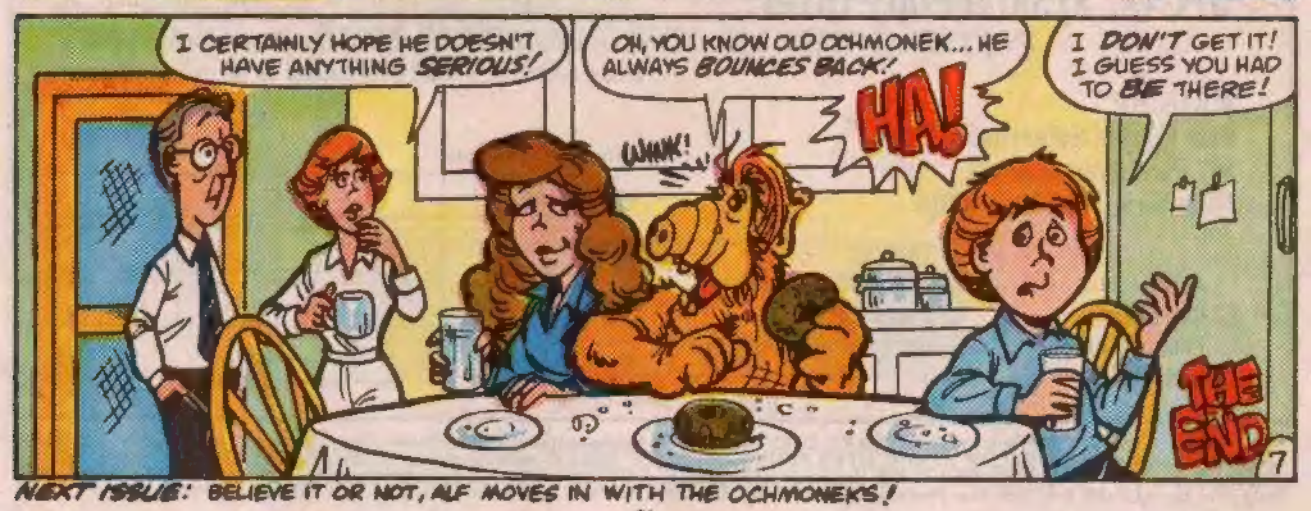

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